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## Crime and romance in New Year honours

P D JAMES and Barbara Cartland, the authors, Ian McKellan the actor, Graham Gooch the cricketer and Lady Porter, the Conservative leader of Westminster council, are among 995 people recognised today in the New Year's honours list.

Miss James, aged 70, the doyenne of crime fiction, is the only life peer in the list drawn up by Margaret Thatcher before her resignation. Miss Cartland, aged 89, becomes a dame, as does Lady Porter.

Mr McKellan, aged 51, is made a knight. Mr Gooch's OBE will be some consolation to the England captain after his team's second successive Test defeat in Australia. Esther Rantzen, the television personality, also gets an OBE.

Among the 29 knights are James

Anderton, chief constable of Greater Manchester, Terence English, the heart transplant surgeon, Paul Fox, managing director of BBC network television, Alastair Morton, chief executive of the Eurotunnel Group. and Peregrine Worsthorne, editor of the comment section of the Sunday Telegraph. André Benard, Sir Alastair's French counterpart in the Channal tunnel project, has been given an honorary knighthood. Brian

Johnston, of Radio 3's Test Match Special commentary team, is given a

An OBE is awarded to Harry Carpenter, best known for his tele-vision boxing commentaries. OBEs also go to Nigel Mansell, the racing driver, and Peter Shilton, former England football team goalkeeper. Bobby Robson, former manager of the England football team, receives a CBE, as does Raman Subba Row, the former England Test batsman and chairman of the Test and County Cricket Board. Cricket Board.
Two middle-ranking ministers are

made privy counsellors: Alan Clark, a desence minister, and Angela Rumbold, a Home Office minister.

Lord Denham, the chief whip in the Lords, is given a KBE.

Tony Durant, Tory MP for Reading West, is knighted, as is Timothy Raison, a former minister and MP for Aylerburg, Picker Lyne and Secretary Aylesbury, Richard Luce, the former arts minister, and Ian Wrigglesworth, a former SDP MP.

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In the pink: Dame Barbara Cartland, with a pet Pekinese, vesterday, after finding that she was in the New Year's honours list

# Britain sends in Tornados as Iraq prepares for war

By JOHN HOLLAND IN BAGHDAD AND ANDREW McEWEN AND MICHAEL EVANS

BRITAIN is to underline Bush must have been drunk thoughts and Germany's posits readiness to use force when he said he had a feeling in the Gulf by sending President Saddam would more jet fighters to com-January 15 deadline. Iraq chance in the search for plete an extra squadron. Half of the RAF's nuclear-capable Tornado from January 9 to discuss a GR1 strike aircraft will be Muslim holy war in response deployed in the Gulf by the end of this week.

to be in a belligerent mood with a string of statements preparing its people for war. A televised new year message from President Saddam Hussein said President Bush had betrayed the same way that Judas betrayed Jesus, and called King Fahd of Saudi Arabia a traitor to Islam.

Tariq Aziz, the Iraqi foreign minister, said that President

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## Major fails

to lift gloom Margaret Thatcher's resignation has done little to lift the economic gloom. The "misery index" - the difference between those expecting the economy to improve and those who think it will worsen - stands at minus 20, making an election before the autumn unlikely Page 2
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England beaten



Graham Gooch, awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours, led England to an eightwicket defeat in the second Test against Australia in Melbourne yesterday ...... Page 30

#### China reacts

Peking, unnerved by the collapse of communism in Eastern Europe, has pledged to strengthen ideological and political work to "re-energise the national spirit".... Page 11

#### Fees slump

Merchant banking fees for company takeovers and merg-ers fell to £180 million this year from £800 million in 1989. The value of ac-

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summoned Islamic clerics from 17 nations to Baghdad Iraq appeared last night ened to attack American interests throughout the world if

war broke out. The tough talk was not taken literally in London. Tom King, the defence sec-retary, said: "I do not think he [Saddam] is a madman. I think he is a very calculating trying to bluff his way out."

Britain has decided to resador to Irag, will return to the not embassy today after talks in London to decide which of his 15 colleagues should come home. A Mori poll conducted for Times Newspapers showed 66 per cent would support the use of force if Iraq did not withdraw from Kuwait by the deadline, while 24

per cent were opposed. Concern that some European Community countries may be wavering over the use of force increased when Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the German foreign minister, called for further diplomatic efforts. The 12 EC nations are to bold an emergency foreign min-isters' meeting on Friday, after separate initiatives by Herr Genscher and the French government. Foreign ministers from Egypt, Syria and Saudi

Arabia will meet in Jeddah at the same time. Mr King welcomed the EC neeting, but it is likely that Britain will again argue against any proposal for talks between the EC and Mr Aziz. Britain successfully op-posed an earlier proposal for

talks on the ground that it would send the wrong message to Baghdad. It was hoped that this would encourage Iraq to accept dates proposed by Washington for talks between James Baker, the US Secretary of State, and President Saddam, but with no agree-ment in sight Italy and Spain appear to be having second

ition is ambiguous. In such a very difficult phase it is necpeaceful solutions," Herr Genscher said.

However in Bonn a foreign ministry spokesman said no to any attack against Iraqi new initiative on talks was forces. Baghdad also threat- expected. The meeting would send a signal to Washington and Iraq that the EC fully backs UN resolutions.

It is unclear whether the meeting will consider a proposal which the Iraqi foreign ministry put to Western diplomats in Baghdad last week. It suggested that President the teachings of Christ in person indeed and I think he is Saddam would be willing in duce the number of its received assurances from the mander of Operation Granby, diplomats in Baghdad. Harold US that Iraq's strong military to brief John Major on Brit-Walker, the British ambas- and oil-producing roles would ain's Gulf deployments. significantly be

diminished. Britain has been building up its bomber squadrons in Saudi Arabia and Bahrain. The latest squadron, which has been deployed over several weeks, There are already Tornado GRI squadrons at Tabuk in western Saudi Arabia and in Bahrain. These are "re-

inforced" squadrons, with more strike aircraft deployed than the usual 12 per squad-ron. With the final batch of Tornado GRIs arriving this week, there are expected to be more than 50 in the Gulf. In the event of an allied

offensive, the Tornados could be among the first bombers sent to strike at Iraqi air bases. They are capable of dropping nuclear free-fall bombs, but there is no suggestion that they have been deployed to the Guif area with nuclear payloads. Their principal weapon system is the JP233 "airfield denial" bomb which craters runways and scatters delayed action bomblets to hamper enemy engineering repair

teams The RAF also has a squadron of Jaguar strike aircraft based in Bahrain and 11/2 squadrons of Tornado F3 air defence aircraft at Dhahran.

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## Classified Gulf file is stolen

By Michael Evans and Andrew McEwen

THE ministry of defence is investigating the theft from the boot of a ministry car of a briefcase full of classified documents on the Gulf.

Tom King, the defence secretary, confirmed yesterday that there had been a security breach and said it was "a serious matter". He refused to discuss reports that the papers had been used by Air Chief principle to withdraw his Marshal Sir Patrick Hine forces from Kuwait if he first (above), joint forces com-

However, the car was on its way from Downing Street to RAF Strike Command headquarters when it was broken into while unattended. "There was a security breach which involved the theft of classified will be based in Saudi Arabia. documents; they have all been recovered but it is a serious matter", Mr King said on the BBC Radio 4 programme The World This Weekend.

The papers were retrieved after a member of the public saw a briefcase in a builder's skip in north London. The case had been in the car boot with other items. It was handed to police and the papers were found inside, apparently intact. When asked if he was satisfied that British interests in the Gulf had not been damaged, Mr King said: "It has obviously Continued on page 20, col 2

## **'Shoot to kill'** claim after man dies near border

By STAFF REPORTERS

was injured when the security due process of law is imforces opened fire on a car in plemented without fear or South Armagh "bandit coun- favour. Mr Brooke must try" last night in the first fatal immediately confirm that Northern Ireland shooting these men were unarmed and since the IRA Christmas Police said the incident took point. It is hard to escape the

place near Cullyhanna, about two miles from the border and incident of a most serious three miles from the pronature." visional IRA stronghold of Crossmagien. Local people said that the shooting happened when the car containing the two men, both civilians, had been stopped at an army checkpoint and had been night when the IRA opened allowed to go on before being hit by at least 12 shots. There were immediate calls for a full and independent investigation into the shooting, which one MP claimed happened in

STRICES. Newry, where one died soon after admission. There were no details about the condition of the other man.

"highly dubious"

Seamus Mallon, MP for Newry and Armagh and dep-uty leader of the SDLP, called last night for a full, indepen-dent investigation. "The circumstances surrounding this incident are highly dubious," he said. "It seems as if once again those who are charged with enforcing the law may have taken the law into their own hands."

to give information about the Belfast. incident, declining to say if Meanwhile, a policeman weapons had been found in suffered back and leg injuries the car or if shots were fired at in Lisbon, County Antrim, the security forces. Mr Mallon said that Peter

responsible are removed from little damage.

controversy surrounding his of the Labour party, to keep to break in the clouds.

ONE man died and another duty immediately and that the these men were unarmed and that they had just passed through at least one checkconclusion that we are faced once again with a shoot-to-kill

> The death was the first since the IRA declared a 72-hour truce between Christmas Eve and Boxing Day, which finished 20 minutes after midfire on a police vehicle checkpoint, although nobody was hurt. Jim McAllistair, Sinn Fein

local councillor, said he had been speaking to the two men shortly before the incident. He circumsaid there had been reports of The two men were named army harassment of local locally as brothers Fergal and people over the Christmas Michael Carraghar, both in period and added: "We were their early twenties. They were fearful something like this taken to Daisy Hill hospital at might happen. It is absolutely essential that an independent investigation is held into this incident and that the Police Complaints Commission appoint one of its members immediately to oversee the

investigation. There has been a series of deaths and incidents at checkpoints over the years. In September two teenage joy-riders were shot dead by members of the Parachute Regiment when they failed to stop. It was the 10th time in 10 years that joyriders had been The security forces refused killed by the army in West

yesterday when he was deliberately rammed against a wall Brooke, the Northern Ireland by a car. Three incendiary secretary, must ensure that devices exploded in Belfast those soldiers who were early yesterday but caused Rushdie urges political action

## Snow and gales sweep the North

By DAVID YOUNG AND KERRY GILL

SEVERE winter weather continued to affect Scotland, Northern Ireland and the North of England and Wales yesterday with most other parts of the country hit by icy roads. The London Weather Centre predicts that temperatures will rise slightly in the next few days.

Northwest England, Wales and the whole of Northern Ireland were bearing the brunt of the bad weather, with heavy showers turning to snow on higher ground and strong to near gale force winds.

A woman was recovering in hospital on the Scottish mainland last night after rescue services fought a six-hour battle against atrocious weather to bring her to safety from her island home.

A doctor decided that Rosemary Neil, aged 27, who lives on the Hebridean island of Rhum, needed urgent hospital treatment after she suffered wrist. Two helicopters were unable to reach the island because of the conditions and she was eventually taken off by the Mallaig lifeboat.

On the mainland, a Continued on page 20, col 7

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#### Divided we stand

Most Scots celebrate the new year with, shall we say, more enthusiasm than the English. Alan Hamilton gives a sober

assessment of more significant differences on both sides of the border PAGE 12

#### **Anniversaries** of the year



From William Caxton. printer (above), to Henry Miller, writer, The Times anniversaries of 1991 reveal the key landmarks to come PAGE 16

#### Levin mortal? Oh surely not

Perhaps it is just the time of year. Should we be reading his column, or his obit? Even he seems unsure TOMORROW

#### You said it there, Brian

"We failed Tebbit's cricket test and we're proud of it" said a banner at an England-

India match last summer, just one of the sporting quotes of 1990. Plus a round-up of the big new year sporting programme **TOMORROW** 

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## SALMAN Rushdie has called In an interview with The affair to a close, and said that The Worlds on politicians to lead the way Times, Mr Rushdie urged his decision not to publish in in finding a solution to end the Roy Hattersley, deputy leader paperback was a remarkable his word after saying that a Mr Rushdie said that he was **Finest** The author said that now decision not to publish the eager to visit Cairo to meet his Islamic conversion had book in paperback would be a the Grand Sheikh whenever received the blessing of sufficient gesture for a process an invitation was issued and Grand Sheikh Gad El-Hak, in of reconciliation. A process of invitation was issued and the expressed his gratitude to Rushdie call, page 3

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#### Those Italian mamas lose their family crown 1.85 in Britain and 2.11 in the Republic of Ireland, the most prolific their battles against both divorce and abortion, which were legalised in Italy seem to have inlimited funds for From Paul Bompard IN ROME

book The Sasanic Verses.

Cairo, the spiritual leader of

ONE of the most classic and enduring Italian stereotypes, the family blessed with a multitude of children, has been dealt a shattering blow. A report by the Italian Statistics Institute confirms that Italy during the past few years has had the world's lowest

birthrate. The myth of the Italian mother surrounded by a platoon of squalling infants, dear to the hearts of northern Europeans, may die hard, but the fact remains that even the avant garde Scandinavians are producing more babies than the Italians.

Today Italian women on average have 1.29 children each, compared to

of the European Community countries. German women produce an average of 1.39 children, the French have 1.81, and the Danes 1.62.

Italy reached zero population growth a couple of years ago. Instead of levelling off, however, it has since begun to shrink dramatically. This alarms the country's economists, who fear that a swelling proportion of pen-sioners will have to be supported by a shrinking proportion of workers. It has also prompted the Catholic Church repeatedly to call on the government to adopt fiscal policies that encourage parenthood.

Catholic authorities long ago lost

in the Seventies. All the usual types of birth control are freely available and recent surveys show that most Catholic Italians do not see the use of contraception as a serious breach of

their church's teaching.
The official statistics also confirm what observers have been noticing for some time: Italians are spending money as never before. According to the statistics institute report, they are third in terms of purchasing power after the Germans and French, but richer than the British, even though the gross domestic product of the two countries is about equal. The report also says that Italians

luxury goods of all kinds, as well as for entertainment and exotic holidays. Italy is one of the world's biggest markets for French champagne, Scotch whisky and Rolls-Royce cars, and a growing proportion of the population takes a winter holiday in expensive resorts.

Yet culture is not growing along with affluence. Corriere Della Sera, the sober Milan daily, suggests that there is a slightly vulgar, nouveauriche quality in the new spending patterns of Italians. It points out that sales of books and newspapers remain the lowest among the big European countries, while sales of colour television sets have rocketed.

Mr Rushdie said that he President Mubarak of Egypt.

Privated Sandra

# Labour ahead as Major fails to lift gloom over economy

By NICHOLAS WOOD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MARGARET Thatcher's replacement by John Major has done little to lift the gloom surrounding the country's economic prospects for 1991, according to the latest Mori poll for Times Newspapers.

The "misery index" - the difference between the percentage of people expecting the economy to improve over the next 12 months and those who think it will get worse - stands at minus 20, only fractionally better than in October, when Mrs Thatcher was still prime minister.

The figures show that the sudden surge in economic optimism in the wake of British membership of the European exchange-rate mechanism and the parallel 1 per cent cut in interest rates has

The index is one of the best clues to voting intentions. Tory strategists will be dismayed that the lift that the new prime minister has given to the government's standing has not extended to the electorally vital area of the economy. On the strength of these figures, the Conservatives will be unlikely to want to risk an election before the autumn at the earliest.

The poll suggests that Mr Major's electoral honeymoon is coming to an end. After surveys soon after the change of leadership showing the Tories as much as 11 points ahead, it gives Labour a four-point lead, the first time the party has been ahead in any survey since Mr Major became prime minister. The figures are: Labour 45 per cent, Conservative 41 per cent, Liberal Democrat 9 per cent, Green 2 per cent, and others 3 per cent.

Chris Patten, the Conservative party chairman, took comfort in the fact that the gap between the two main parties was smaller than in Mrs Thatcher's last months. "We had an enormous Labour lead for 18 months or so. That has now gone. Labour are left arguing among themselves about whether or not it's time to say what a Labour government would actually do," he said on Radio 4's The World this Weekend.

The survey also shows high public concern over unemployment and living standards. With economic forecasters predicting a jobless total between two million and 2.5 million next year, almost three in four people think that dole queues will lengthen in 1991. More people also think that their standard of living will fall.

Levels of public optimism dards and inflation are at their lowest December levels for four years. Conservative voters are the only group out of 38 identified by



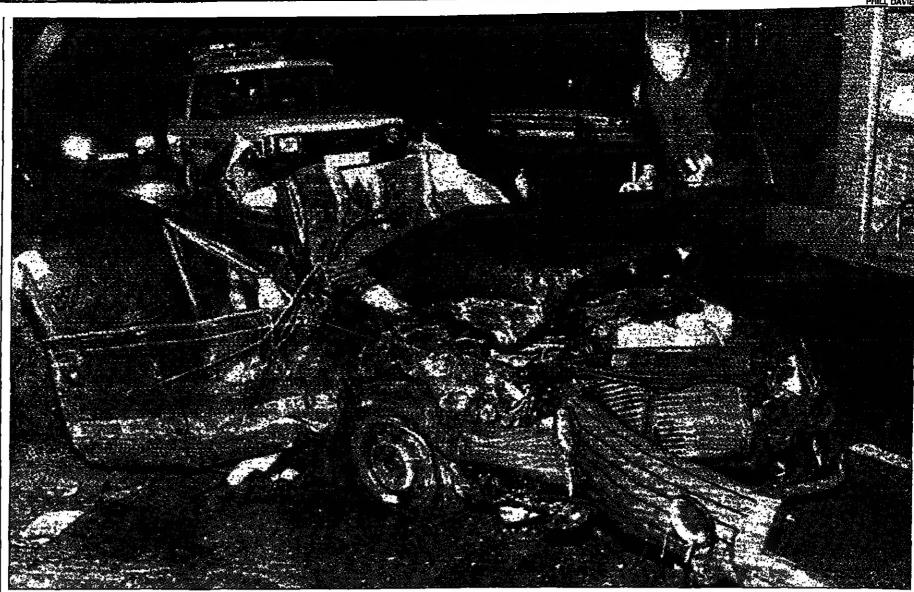
Patten: "Labour arguing among themselves"

Mori who record a plus score on

Mr Major will, however, take comfort from the dent that he has made in the popularity of Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader. Last month, people were evenly divided about whether he was doing a good job. Now, 37 per cent are satisfied with his performance and 51 per cent dissatisfied. This is the Labour leader's worst personal rating for 21 months.

Defence, perhaps not surprisingly with war looming in the Gulf, is one of the issues of most concern to the public. It was named by 29 per cent of electors, the same as the poll tax. Next comes the health service. Twentythree per cent were concerned about the economy, 22 per cent about unemployment and 17 per cent about inflation.

☐ Mori interviewed a representative quota sample of 1,103 adults aged 18-plus in 54 constituencies throughout Great Britain. Interviews were conducted face to face on December 27-28. Data were weighted to match the profile



officer examining the wreckage of a car in which five rugby friends died yesterday after smashing head-on into a stone

cannot be overstated." Many tens

of thousands would die even if

food aid was delivered immediate-

ly because of repeated bad har-

vests whose effects have been

Nicholas Hinton, the charity's director general, said: "We hope

that the public will play their part

by responding to the Crisis in Africa appeal which is to be

launched by the leading aid char-

ities through the Disasters Emer-

gency Committee on January 8."

Labour Party: Jo Richardson,

Labour's front beach spokesman

on women, today warned of a

rough passage for male ministers who fail to take women seriously

in 1991. In her New Year message,

she said: "Every time Cabinet

members fob women off with

weasel words about how much

they are doing for women, I will

give them a really hard time. So

Jack Straw, the shadow edu-

cation secretary, said that low

expectations were the greatest

single scourge of the education

system. "Labour's ambitious tar-

gets for increasing standards

among 16-19-year-olds will be a

test of government itself," he said.

By RICHARD FORD

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SERIOUS financial difficulties

threaten a growing number of

people who run private residential

and nursing homes for the elderly,

The problems have arisen

because of the large expansion

during the last decade in private

provision for the elderly. Labour

says that the gap between income

support provided by the govern-

ment to home residents eligible

for the benefit and the fees charged

by homes is causing worry for

the Labour party says today.

watch out!"

vorsened by civil war.

night out. Fire crews had to slice the roof off the car to retrieve the bodies. The accident happened straight road in near-perfect conditions at Blaenamerch

Cardigan, West Wales. A Dyfed Powys police spokesman said: "Fire crews were called to cut them free, but it appears they were killed almost instantly. They were taken to hospital in

Aberystwyth where they were pronounced dead." The driver of the car was named by police as Calvin Davies, aged 17, of Llangoedmor, Cardigan. His

caesium-133, the earth is a poor

timekeeper. Atomic clocks are

accurate to a billionth of a second

a day, while the earth is consistent

to only one thousandth of a

The real problem, however, is

not the earth's variability, or any

recent dramatic slowing of its

rotation, but the fact that when the

second was redefined in 1967 in

terms of atomic disintegrations,

its length was based on old

observations dating back to the

18th and 19th centuries. This meant that the second as mea-

sured by atomic clocks was made

equal to an actual second of about

Since then, the earth has slowed.

and the length of the day has

increased by 0.0023 seconds. Over

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the year 1826.

23, were David Lewis, also from Llangoedmor, Barry Jones from Blaenporth, Cardigan, Hugh Nicholas from Tan-y-groes, Cardigan, and Dylan Davies from Benlah, Newcastle Emlyn.

## Willis calls for end to class war at work

UNIONS and management are given a warning today that they stand a better chance of withstanding the recession and surviving and prospering if they work

In a New Year message to trade unionists, Norman Willis, the TUC's general secretary, says that immediate prospects for the economy are grim, with unemployment certain to rise steeply. "Now is not the time for class warriors on either side to be locked into an historic conflict over allocation of fast-disappearing spoils which will only destroy their own and their colleagues' jobs. We can no longer afford the luxury of ignoring each other's problems."

He says that in the most successful economies in Europe there was much greater co-operation between unions and management. "It will be far better for management in Britain to take workers into their confidence and to start discussing problems together rather than to wait for cooperation to be forced on them from Europe." Unions had to be more aware of the problems facing management while making sure that they were in tune with the changing needs of members.

☐ Save the Children: The first few weeks of 1991 will be critical in deciding whether it will be a year of hope or despair for 15 million people facing famine in the Horn of Africa, according to the charity Save the Children. Today it calls on governments and the public to give a New Year's pledge to support famine relief efforts there. The charity's 1991 message is ssued as a calendar which charts the sequence of misery facing the people of Sudan and Ethiopia. By March or April large numbers of people will be dying, not from starvation but from illness caused by exhaustion and persistent hunger. The report says that food shortages are already severe and "the urgency of the situation

#### Drug eases transplant operation

A PAINKILLING drug normally used during childbirth enabled a lung transplant patient to be alert and coherent within hours of his operation, surgeons at Bradford Royal Infirmary said yesterday (Nigel Hawkes writes).

The surgical team that carried out the single lung transplant on Peter Cromie, aged 57, inserted a fine tube into his chest through which they passed the drug bupivacaine, often used in epidural injections during labour. The drug is a powerful and longlasting painkiller that allows the patient to remain alert, unlike traditional post-operative drugs.

Alan Mearns, consultant cardio thoracic surgeon at Bradford Royal Infirmary, said: "As far as we are aware, this is the first time this technique, which releases a solution that acts on the nerves to block pain, has been used with a transplant patient.

Mr Cromie, who has been forced to give up work because of emphysema, was able to hold his going home within six weeks. The donor lung came from a young woman involved in a road traffic accident. She has not been named.

Harman sees care threat to elderly

families and financial difficulties

for owners. Harriet Harman, the

shadow health minister, said that

families or charities had to make

up the shortfall or, in some cases,

homeowners subsidised elderly

people. She feared, however, that

the quality of care might suffer

with fewer staff being employed

derly, an advisory service, esti-

mates that the gap between income support and the cost of a

place in residential care is £17 a

week in London and up to £70 per

week outside London. It had

Council and Care for the El-

and cheaper food provided.

## Just a second! It's not quite 1991 yet

REVELLERS will have to wait a fraction longer for the arrival of the New Year tonight. The reason is that an extra second is being added to 1990 to bring the earth's rotation back into proper synchrony with time measured by super-accurate atomic clocks.

So New Year's eve, which often feels like the longest day of the year, will this year be precisely that: 86,401 seconds instead of the normal 86,400. The BBC, which has now taken responsibility for generating the "pips" that mark the time, will add a seventh pip to the usual six as the old year finally slips away. Leap seconds have recently

become almost an annual event. With the exception of three years - 1984, 1986, and 1987 - they have been inserted every year since the practice began in 1972. This will be the sixteenth time since then. Leap seconds are needed in

order to counter the slowing down of the rotation of the earth, which internal motions of the earth's core. Compared with modern atomic clocks, which are based on the disintegrations of atoms of

people who had difficulties meet-

ing the difference between the

According to Ms Harman's

figures, the number of beds in

private residential or nursing

homes for the elderly in England increased from 39,253 to 135,457

between 1981 and 1989, but the

number of beds in local authority

homes and in voluntary homes

showed that privatisation

Ms Harman said that the figures

stealth" was taking place in the

provision of care for the elderly.

the most obvious candidates for

treatment. The most widely used

means of decontaminating them

up to now has been with ethylene

oxide, a gas which leaves a residue

that can be carcinogenic. It will be

illegal in Britain from tomorrow

to sell spices (other than existing

Irradiation is the main alter-

stocks) that have been treated in

benefit and fees.

have fallen.

a year, that adds up to almost a full second, so, all things being equal, a leap second has to be added most ears to bring things back into The organisation responsible

for taking the decision that a leap national Earth Rotation Service in Paris. More than 100 atomic clocks around the world will be adjusted at local times corres-

ponding to midnight GMT.

At the US Naval Observatory in Washington DC, for example, the extra second will be inserted at 6:59:60pm eastern time, according to Denuis McCarthy, head of the division responsible for measuring the earth's rotation.

Does it matter? To most of us, a second is neither here nor there. It is important, though, to scientists and navigators that clocks should remain in close synchronisation

with the rotation of the earth. "If you're navigating," says Dr McCarthy, "a one-second mistake could put your position at sea off by about a quarter of a mile." And if the errors were allowed to accumulate year after year, they would soon reach serious

One criticism of the government's

decision to permit irradiation

rests on the absence of an easy test

by which environmental health

and trading standards officers can

detect whether food has been

treated. That, it is said, will make

the elaborate controls and label-

ling regulations difficult, if not

David Clark, the Labour par-

ty's agriculture spokesman, said

yesterday: "I am very concerned

that consumers will not have the

impossible, to enforce,

#### ATAKE BINDA The week ahead

British Heart Foundation launches a campaign to encourage everyone to make taking more exercise their new year resolution. Revellers gather in traditional manner to see the old year out in Trafalgar Square.

Tomorrow Campaign for Freedom of Information issues a report calling for safety researchers to be allowed access to inquest records. A sale of watches in Bond Street is expected to realise £10 million.

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Christmas and new year drinkdriving statistics are released. Geographers are in Sheffield for their institute conference. Thursday

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International Boat Show opens at Earls Court The Royal Life Saving Society announces plans for its centenary year.

Friday Harrods' new year sale begins. Saturday

Scottish rugby trials are held at Murrayfield, and the Mallusk international cross-country race is Smday

The prime minister is to be interviewed by David Frost on TV-am, Sadler's Wells celebrates its 60th anniversary.

#### **MP** supports John Taylor

Sir Charles Irving, Conservative MP for Cheltenham, has criticised "uninformed speculation" about the local party's choice of John Taylor, a black lawyer, as prospec-

tive parliamentary candidate. Sir Charles, in a letter to all 4,000 Conservative party members in Cheltenham, dismissed allegations that the selection committee was pressurised by Conservative Central Office. Although many people wanted a local candidate, he said, only one had reached final interviews before withdrawing for personal reasons. His letter was sent as Tory

rebels announced they had raised enough votes to reconvene the meeting that picked Mr Taylor.

#### Prisoner caught

One of five prisoners who failed to return to jail last Thursday after Christmas parole has been re-captured, the Northern Ireland Office said yesterday. A spokesman said the man was found by the RUC and returned to Mag-illigan prison in Co Londonderry. A police hunt is continuing for the other missing men, all of whom were due for release during 1991. one of them next month.

#### Wife disappears

An intensive search was being carried out yesterday for a soldier's wife missing from her Army camp home at Thorney Island. West Sussex. Mrs Jennifer Howe, aged 45, disappeared at 2am on Friday wearing a pink tracksuit and mauve coat. Police and rescue helicopters have joined soldiers searching mud flats and undergrowth surrounding the base.

#### Royal bouquets

Princes William and Harry were kept busy at Sandringham yesterday ferrying flowers given to their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, to a royal limousine. When the royal family ieft church after morning service. 40 young people were waiting to greet them with bunches of flowers. The princes dashed back and forth carrying the flowers to the boot of the car.

# Irradiation of herbs heralds campaign to cut poisoning

HERBS and spices are likely to be the first products to undergo irradiation and be offered for sale to the public after the 23-year-old ban on the commercial use of this much-debated method of preserving and disinfecting food is lifted The government and most

scientists believe irradiation could greatly reduce food poisoning, but consumers might have a hard time finding any irradiated produce. None of the leading supermarket chains plans to stock any and several of the big food companies have said they will not use the technique Isotron, which runs five of the

10 irradiation plants in Britain from its headquarters in Swindon. Wiltshire, is undeterred by the lack of interest. The firm, hitherto involved mainly in sterilising medical equipment, plans to apply for a licence to treat food.

We will apply initially for herbs and spices. We already have some business lined up with food processors. After that we might look at poultry and beyond that seafood," John Barker, Isotron's managing director, said. "The aim would be to get the process established first and accepted by consumers.

The World Health Organisation believes irradiation will come to be seen in time as being

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Scientists have endorsed irradiation of food, but doctors and environmental officers are wary.

Where do the consumers stand? Michael Hornsby finds out the facts

as normal as freezing and will be of "enormous value" in checking the growth of food-borne disease. It has advised consumers to buy irradiated poultrymeat where that is available.

In Britain, scientists overwhelmingly favour irradiation but consumer groups, food safety activists, doctors, environmental health officers and the Labour party have voiced varying degrees of opposition. They question the safety of the process and say that it could be misused to disguise

Fruit (including fungi, tom-atoes and rhubarb), vegetables (including pulses), cereals, bulbs and tubers (including potatoes, yams, onions, shallots and garlic), spices and condiments, fish and shellfish, and poultry (including chickens, geese, ducks, guinea fowls, pigeons, quails and turkeys) will be eligible for treatment. Manufacturers and food processors will have to apply for a separate licence for each category of foodstuff and for each irradiation plant. Detailed records will have to be kept of the radiation dose and the condition of the food before treatment. Any such foodstuff sold in shops will have to be labelled "irradiated" or "treated with ionizing radiation".

Restaurants and takeaways will be required to warn customers that they may be eating irradiated fare. "We recognise that restaurateurs may not always know

SELLING Infit food will be-

come an offence punishable by

up to two years in prison and

unlimited fines from tomorrow

when the Food Safety Act comes

into force. The act is regarded as

the biggest revision of food

legislation in more than 30 years.

benefits for consumers will be

tougher rules on the date-mark-

ing of food in shops. For perish-

able goods, such as dairy

products and fresh meat and

poultry, "sell-by" dates will be

been given pleasure when some- work is too variable and in variable.

Among the more immediate

in food have been irradiated." the agriculture ministry said. "When they are not sure they must indicate on the menu or some other prominent place that the food may have been treated."

Irradiation is legally permitted in 35 countries and used commercially in about 20, including the United States, France, Belgium and The Netherlands. Foodstuffs are passed through a radiation field, usually generated by a cobalt or caesium gamma ray source, at a set speed to control the amount of energy absorbed. Herbs and spices, which are left

phased out by April and replaced

by more precise "use-by" dates.

welcomed the change yesterday

but warned shoppers that during

the three-month transitional per-

iod both "sell-by" and "use-by"

dates could be used, creating the

risk of confusion. Foods with a

longer shelf life must carry "best

Other provisions of the Food

Safety Act are: powers for

environmental health officers to

close suspect food premises with-

before" labels.

The Consumers' Association

native means of treatment, and shops may have no choice but to stock irradiated herbs and spices. Two supermarket groups, Sainsbury and Tesco, said yesterday, however, that they were whether or not some ingredients to dry in the sun after harvest, are

this way.

protection they deserve against potential abuse." He said a survey of 14 local authorities had found investigating alternative heat much unease about their ability to monitor compliance with the Unfit food sellers face jail and fine regulations.

> hygiene for food handlers. There will be ministerial powers to license food irradiation and other novel processes; food retailers and manufacturers will be required to show they have taken all reasonable steps to ensure safety of their products: and catering at prisons, civil service buildings and military

Other criticisms are that there is insufficient data about vitamin losses caused by irradiation and the effects of the process on pesticide residues in food and on out seeking a court order, compulsory registration of food premises with local authorities the chemicals in food packaging. and compulsory training in food

The government has never suggested that irradiation is a bases will lose Crown immunity.

panacea. The process affects the taste and/or smell of dairy products and some other fatty foods. Irradiated products will also cost more than untreated foods, and supply will be limited for a long time. All the irradiation plants in the world could not process more than 2 per cent of Britain's total

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SALMAN Rushdie yesterday of reconciliation that is now called for government and opposition leaders to put their political weight behind him now that his conversion to the Muslim faith has received a formal bicasing from Gad el-Haq Ali Gad, spiritual head of the world's Sunni

Mr Rushdie singled out Roy possible.
Hattersley, deputy leader of He t the Labour party, as a man he thought might now be moved sins from the Grand Sheikh to make apositive political Gad el-Haq was an extraormove. Mr Rushdie has con-Egypt to meet the highest Islam scholars, although he is still waiting to receive a formal invitation from the Grand Sheikh Gad cl-Haq. of the al-Azhar university and religious centre in Cairo.

In an interview with The Times yesterday, Mr Rushdie said that the enmity will begin now to be replaced by a language of affection and love. able break in the clouds has He emphasised that the im-portance of the al-Azhar statement from the grand. At the confirmation was that a situa- sheikh and I would like to ask tion had arisen where positive all British Muslims to listen to steps were now being made on what the sheikh has to say and

"It is my hope that I don't have to do this entirely by myself and that all those interested parties which obviously include political groups that have influence should at least welcome what has happened and seek to help the

process of understanding." He said that Mr Hattersley had "always said that were I to give up the paperback [of Mr Rushdie's book The Satanic Verses] that would be a sufficient gesture in his view, and one would hope that now that I have done so he would now lend his support to the process

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taking place."

Mr Rushdie said that while it was up to individual politicans to choose what

form of help to take, he would now talk to anyone, including senior members of the government, in an attempt to bring an end to the affair as soon as

dinary event. He wanted to firmed that he is eager to visit emphasise to people in the West that the grand sheikh represented the supreme theological authority on Islamic matters for all Sunni

"That makes him the supreme authority for over 90 per cent of the world's Muslims, and I think for him to have done this does effectively end the crisis. A very remark-



Rushdie: time now to

merous as he has been."
Mr Rushdie was confident

that that would be the case. He said newspaper polls indicated that more than 90 per cent of British Muslims had indicated no interest in further campaigns of violence or intimidation and no interest in threats of death.

that all Sunni Muslims would find the statement from Egypt of colossal importance and hoped that all parties could come together in a joint effort of reconciliation. 'I hope this means we will

be able to start the new year by turning the page and making a fresh start. The fact that he has said he would welcome meeting me at al-Azhar with the blessing of President Mubarak (of Egypt) is just overwhelming for me because it is something that I have been hoping would happen two

At the weekend, Muslim leaders of the UK Action Comminee on Islamic Affairs denounced Mr Rushdie's conversion as a "disingenuous ploy" to save his skin and said that if his faith was genuine he should withdraw The Satanic

Verses completely. Mr Rushdie argued, however, that people should be able to read the book to see for

themselves. "I don't believe I have betrayed anyone," Mr Rushdie. "It seems to me that I have been fighting rather hard from a position of great precariousness and if anyone thinks they could do better they should come and stand in my shoes and have a try

## **Hunt for missing** Marcos silver

By JOHN SHAW

By NIGEL HAWKES SCIENCE EDITOR

the past 15 years if more January 10-11. decisive action had been taken to persuade people to change their diets, the Coronary Prevention Group claimed vesterday.

Since 1975 the death from heart disease in the United States has been more than halved, according to the group's director, Mike O'Connor. "A similar governmentbacked programme in Britain | Palace in Manila. would mean at least 85,000 lives a year could be saved." he said. "The government's their prodigious hoard of art

been totally inadequate." Heart disease kills someone premature deaths in men and people die of it every year, collection being auctioned by costing the NHS at least £500 Christie's together with more million, according to the

group ?gures. "Heart disease is a national tragedy affecting 500 people and their families every day," Mr O'Connor said. "Too many people in this country are eating their way to an early grave when they could be choosing a healthy diet."

Mr O'Connor said that only £10 million was being spent annually in preventing heart disease, and only 30 per cent of district health authorities provided formal rehabilitation programmes for heart

ABOUT 70 solid silver dinner plates belonging to the late President : Marcos ... of . the Phillipines are being sought by BRITAIN could have saved officials selling a collection of more than a million lives over | art treasures in New York on

> The plates went astray from magnificent 185-piece Egremont dinner service bought by Mrs Imelda Marcos from a dealer after it made £260,000 March 1979. The dinner service was made by the renowned silversmith Paul Storr in 1806-7 and was used by Marcos at the Malacanang

After the couple fell from power officials cataloguing reaction to the problem has found that the plates were

The service, made for in Britain every three minutes | George, third Earl of Egreand accounts for a third of all | mont (1751-1837), one of the wealthiest and most cultivated one in seven premature deaths | noblemen of his day, will be a in women. Almost 170,000 highlight of the couple's silver



Imelda Marcos: £5 million auction on ber plate

than 70 Old Masters. Christie's has held two sales of Marcos property on behalf of the Aquino government, but this latest sale promises to be the biggest. It is expected to make £5 million, which will go towards agrarian reform and earthquake relief in the

The couple also owned the Craven service of about 100 for the sixth Lord Craven between 1766 and 1772,

will be silver and silver silt from well-known names of the Georgian period: Paul De Lamerie, Benjamin Smith,

Marcos a place in auction history for the largest singleowner sale of antique silver. The record is held by the Patinos, whose collection made \$2.39 million (£1.25 million) at Christie's in 1986.

The most important among the Marcos paintings is an early Raphael of St Catherine, one of the few left in private hands. It has been dated to about 1503. The collection also includes a selection of Italian 18th century pictures, among them works by Gianantonio Guardi and Francesco Guardi, Tiepolo and his son Giandomenico, Pietro

scapes by Zuccarelli and Zais. The property is being recovered by the Phillipines commission on good government. Still missing are a number of Impressionist and modern Monet, Renoir and Picasso.

Among other pieces on offer Scott and Simon

The sale could earn Mrs

Longhi, and a group of land-

#### **New Year Honours**







actor with the RSC.

Marius Goring, who has been made a CBE, has been active

on stage for more than half a

century and enjoyed consid-

erable success in the Sixties

and Seventies as a mild-

ensic scientist in a television

vice-president of Equity, the

1982 and recently led a succes-

sful campaign to have its 12-

year ban on the export of tele-

vision and radio programmes to South Africa lifted.

day's honours list died eight

days ago (Richard Ford writes). William Leech, aged

90, a publicity-shy Tyneside

builder, had given millions of

pounds to a variety of causes

and was given the honour for

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his charitable services.

## **Knighthood for McKellen** the reluctant conformist

By DAVID Young

Leech: a philanthropist who died eight days ago

SIR Ian McKellen is being Sir Ian did his first Shakeseen as the first of a new generspeare, aged eight, in the ation of actor knights by his lounge of his suburban home colleagues, an appropriate at Wigan, His Richard II and role, given his regard for pre-Edward II with the Prospect decessors such as Lord Theatre Company at the 1969 Edinburgh Festival won him the fame as "the new Olivier from Wigan", but he turned down many offers and became a founder member of the Actors' Company, in which all

Sir Ian will also, however, see the award as a recognition for his campaigning for other causes, such as gay rights and government funding for the arts. Sir lan, who is 51, has players had equal, if low, salalways been a reluctant conaries and billing. He followed formist. He was the head boy this with a period as a star at Bolton School who spent his spare time playing Shakespeare rather than rugby and was a founder member of the collective Actors' Company, which went into the Royal Shakespeare Company.

Olivier.

He swung towards the Establishment earlier this year, when, he was announced as the second Cameron Mackintosh Visiting Professor of Contemporary Theatre at St Catherine's College, Oxford, the successor to Stephen

He enjoyed the irony, saying: "It amuses me rather than anything that this gay man, Establishment no end because speeches and has campaigned against VAT on theatre tickets and is constantly challenging the government to have a proper attitude towards the arts, should suddenly be called Professor McKellen.

Sir lan has a history of taking on extra burdens. The London benefit performances of Acting Shakespeare were arranged after an exhausting American tour in order to salvage the foundering London Lighthouse Aids hospice project, with the charity benefiting by £300,000.

Sir Ian led the National Theatre on its global tour last year. He said that he would come back to the South Bank, where he was one of the main fixtures in the Eighties, on condition that he could tour for a year. He won acclaim, and offstage carried with him a patrician air of leadership and a concern for the unity

and welfare of his troupe. Much of Sir Ian's career has been spent on the road. It was with the old Prospect touring company that he first electri-fied audiences with his Richard II. He founded the touring Actors' Company in the Seventies, and at the RSC he works, including paintings by revived the community touring of towns and villages.

# Poll reveals a public deeply disillusioned

THE British public is deeply disillusioned with the honours system and believes that most honours are awarded to those who least deserve them (Lin

In an opinion poll commissioned by the BBC the group that was awarded the most mannered but tenacious for-peerages and knighthoods during the Thatcher years series, The Expert. He was politicians and party workers - topped the list for those the actors' union, from 1975 to public thought were least deserving of honours.

Four out of ten people thought charity and voluntary workers deserved recognition most through the honours A multi-millionaire busin- system; 21 per cent believed essman and philanthropist ordinary people, such as award depended upon knowawarded a knighthood in to-nurses, teachers and train

followed by 17 per cent who nominated the police and armed forces.

Sports and showbusiness personalities and those in the arts and journalism were thought most deserving by 4.3 per cent; those in politics came bottom, with only one in a hundred believing they most deserved honours.

While 51 per cent of those questioned were in favour of retaining the present system. the survey showed a degree of scepticism over how honours were distributed. Seven out of ten people believed that a knighthood, OBE or other ing the right people.

#### Who least deserves to be honoured?

Politicians and party workers	30.3%
Sports, show business, the arts and journalism	21.5%
Civil and diplomatic services	
Business people and industrialists	
Ordinary people	
Armed forces and the police	
Charity and voluntary workers	

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# Silent 40 begin third year in isolation

By KERRY GILL

FORTY men and women, living in isolation close to the Eskdalemuir forest in Dumfriesshire, will rise at 3.45 tomorrow to spend their waking hours in prayer and contemplation. They are unaware of the impending conflict in the Gulf and of the increasing tensions in the Soviet Union.

It will be another two years and three months before they emerge from a seclusion that began 21 months ago. The group is almost half-way through a four-year retreat at the Samye Ling Tibetan Buddhist centre in the Scottish Borders. The spartan existence, devoted almost entirely to meditation, becomes more strict as time goes on.

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Tom McCarthy, a staff member at the centre, said: They are living like Trappist monks, Conditions become stricter. Every few months there is a quarter turn of the screw. At present they are going through a period of total silence and isolation. They know nothing about the change of prime minister, the threat of war in the Gulf or other world news." Most of the people

in retreat, who come from a crosssection of nationalities and social and professional backgrounds, were involved in the building and decoration of the centre's huge, vibrantly coloured temple, constructed in traditional Tibetan style. It took nine years to

complete by ten monks and nuns helped by lay people. It cost £100,000. Those in the retreat house, overlooking the temple, are undergoing a gradual process of mind training, based on a structured programme evolved by Buddha. Apart from meditation and prayer, they take part in physical exercises and listen to traditional Tibetan music.

The men and women, who are separated, have their simple meals prepared and served by attendants. Their only contact with the outside world is through their mentor, Lama Yeshe Lotsal, who has recently completed a course attended by about 50 other students at the centre on the

seven points of mind training". Veronika Player, now known as Ani Tsultrim Zangmo or "excellent moral woman", spent four years in retreat as preparation for her life as a nun. "It

takes great determination to embark on such a lengthy period of isolation. Those taking part should end up knowing themselves better and with more compassion for others," she said. While much of their life is spent in contemplation, the members of the community-run workshops, including a printing plant, have formed a charity to

help the poor.
The Venerable Akong Tulku Rinpoche, one of the exiled monks who established the Samye Ling centre in 1967, is the abbot. He fled from Tibet in 1959 after the Chinese communist occupation, but has temporarily returned to run the equivalent of a soup

kitchen. The monks and nuns welcome visitors as long as they give advance notification. Dr Rinpoche first settled in Oxford but moved to Eskdalemuir where they had often visited the old Johnstone House community. That venture failed and Dr Rinpoche and his colleagues took it over to form the first Tibetan Buddhist centre in the West.

#### 4 NEW YEAR HONOURS

D James: fastidious wordsmith of English

# Glittering prize for the queen of detective stories

By WILLIAM CASH AND RICHARD FORD

THE literary world has been showered with many glittering prizes this year, with P D James, the crime writer, being made a life peer, and Barbara Cartland, the romantic novelist, created a

Within academic circles, Professor Frank Kermode, former King Edward VII professor of English literature at Cambridge, has been given a knighthood and Malcolm Bradbury, novelist and professor of American studies at the university of East Anglia, is made a a CBE. Sir Frank's knighthood marks his role as a professional critic over four decades.

He has also been joint editor of the Oxford Anthology of English Literature and his books include The Living Milton (1960), The Sense of an Ending (1967) and An Appetite for Poetry (1989).

Mr Bradbury has an ability to make complicated books sound interesting and accessible. He adapted Tom Sharpe's novels Blott on the Landscape and Porterhouse Blue for television, and has also written many books, includ-

ing Evelyn Waugh (1962) and Saul Bellow (1982). He was chairman of judges for the Booker prize in 1983.

Dame Barbara Cartland, aged 89, the doyenne of romantic fiction, has just completed her 530th book and will celebrate her DBE at a party tonight with her grandchildren. She said she was delighted and very honoured at becoming a dame. "Everybody said I ought to have had an honour

some time ago." PD James is the contemporary queen of the English detective story, and has helped turn it in to a

In her bleak modern moralities, the good are justified, the wicked are found out, and detective Adam Daigliesh resolves everything. Unlike most of the scribblers in the same line, she is a fastidious wordsmith of the English

Her publishers wanted her to explain the source of the title of her latest book, Devices and Desires, set around an East Anglian atomic power station. She refused, on the grounds that any literate English woman or man should be able to

ernised prayer book. She is also a passionate defender of the authorised version of the Bible, which she sees as the bedrock of the English tongue.
Phyllis Dorothy James was born

70 years ago, the daughter of a civil scream. She left school at the age of 16, having already won a prize for story writing.

She married in 1941, and her husband came back from the war psychologically and spiritually damaged, leaving his wife to support him and two small child-

respectable literary genre (Philip recognise that echo from the ren. She did so for 40 years, Howard writes). the Home Office, in the police and

forensic science departments. When her first detective story, Cover Her Face, was published in 1962, she said it was the happiest

day of her life. Of her leaning towards crime fiction, she said: "I do not see why one cannot say something very true about people and relations, and particularly about how people behave under the ultimate stress of death, while using a form that is obviously popular.

#### LIFE PEER BARONESS

Miss Phyllis Dorothy (Mrs White), author.

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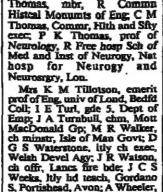
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# Knighthoods for flamboyant editor and BBC's managing director

By Melinda Wittstock, Media Correspondent

PEREGRINE Worsthorne, the former editor of The Sunday Telegraph, and Paul Fox, the managing director of BBC Television and chairman of BBC Enterprises, have been knighted.

Sir Peregrine, of flamboyant appearance and politics, has aired his views over the past 25 years in The Spec-tator and The Sunday Telegraph. He began his journalistic career as a subeditor on The Glasgow Herald in 1946 after war service. joining The Times in 1948 and moving to The Daily Telegraph five years later.

A self-avowed "dyed-inthe-wool reactionary". his political features and columns in The Sunday Telegraph since its launch in 1961 have been required reading for romantic Tories.

He was, however, suspended from the paper in 1973 by Lord Hartwell after he uttered an obscenity on earlyevening television. Three



Sir Paul: success BBC and ITV

years later he was denied his ambition of becoming editor, and only achieved it when Conrad Black took over the Telegraph titles in 1986. In



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1989 he was removed from overall editorship and made editor of the comment sec-

More recently, his public chool past became the subject of amusement during a libel action brought against him by Andrew Neil, editor of The Sunday Times. It was disclosed last January that Sir Peregrine, educated at Stowe and at Peterhouse, Cambridge, had written in a 1977 book that George Melly had seduced him "with in-credible dispatch" on the art room sofa.

Sir Paul Fox, now 64 and due to retire in the spring, surprised and angered the BBC hierarchy when in 1973 he resigned as controller of BBC1 to become managing director at Yorkshire Television. Huw Wheldon, then

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KNIGHT Brown, George Noel, Justice of the Supreme Court.

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Widely seen as the BBC's

Sir Paul was educated at Bournemouth grammar school and after war service became a journalist on The Kentish Times, later moving to The People and to Pathé News in 1947. In 1950 he joined BBC Television. working his way up for the next 23 years. He edited Sportsview and later Pan-orama, and became controller of BBC1 in 1967.

told him: "Get out now and don't come back."

director-general in exile while building Yorkshire Television into one of the strongest voices in the ITV network, Sir Paul rejoined the BBC in 1988 to become the corporation's number

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J C French; Gp Capt R H
Gould; Gp Capt J E Rooum: Air
Cdre G E Winch. (retd).

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Heart Foundation. Order of Saint Michael and Saint George

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for services to the community. CBE Dr D M G Beasley, serv to the intellectually hadeppd, health admin and commity; J A Burnet, serv to newspaper indust; D J Frith, chm, NZ Meat Producers Bd; Prof B F Heslop, serv to med educ; Canon W T T Huata, serv to commity; Mrs P C

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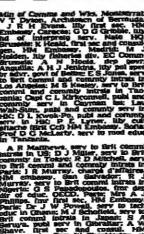
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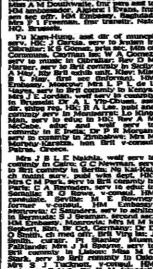
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# Teachers to be target of government opt-out drive

By DAVID TYTLER, EDUCATION EDITOR

TEACHERS who might or- out the government should be their schools from opting-out of local authority control will be the targets of a government

campaign in the new year. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, is considering a propaganda campaign of newspaper advertising and regional conferences in an attempt to increase the small number of schools opting to run their own affairs by being funded directly by the government. He is inhibited by his quasi-judicial role in having to decide whether or not a school should be allowed to opt out after a ballot of parents has voted in favour. He believes. however, that if local authorities are allowed to run campaigns against schools opting

#### **Councillors** act to limit parties' use of schools

By JOHN O'LEARY HIGHER EDUCATION

COUNCILLORS in Tower Hamlets, east London, are seeking a change in the law to prevent political parties holding election meetings in any school they choose. Their action follows confrontations between supporters of rightwing groups and their opponents in areas with large ethnic populations.

A committee report found that when the British National Party Rights for Whites used schools in one such area it caused considerable local resentment and has the potential to lead to incidents of public disorder".

Jonathan Stokes, who chairs the council's education committee, said: "It may be appropriate for rural schools to be used for election meetings, particularly where alternative venues are limited, but inner city areas have numerous suitable public premises that can be used.

"If there is no change, I can see further trouble ahead. Schools and people living around them could face considerable aggravation. There have been instances in Tower Hamlets this year where both teachers and residents have protested strongly.

We know there have been incidents of public disorder following the use of school buildings by some groups, and this must come to an end. Councils should be given discretion over the use of premises offered."

The Tower Hamlets council is seeking the support of the London Boroughs Association and the Association of Metropolitan Authorities for a change in the Representation of the People Act.

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> Opting out is a key part of the government's education reforms, but only 44 schools are now operating under grant-maintained status with a further 13 starting in January and April and 28 awaiting approval. Thirteen schools have had applications rejected and a majority of parents at 35 schools have voted against opting out.

Pamphlets explaining wha grant-maintained status means to staff have been sent to every head teacher in England and Wales, Teachers have played an important role in persuading parents to vote against opting out and Mr Clarke is anxious to persuade

them of the advantages.
Plans to extend the number of grant-maintained schools are likely to be explained by Mr Clarke when he addresses the North of England education conference in Leeds on Friday. He will also detail government measures to improve reading standards in the wake of two investigations showing that too many children are failing to achieve satisfactory standards by the time they are aged seven.

A report from the school inspectorate now with Mr Clarke is understood to show that the reading standards of one in five primary children are unsatisfactory, while the remaining 80 per cent is satisfactory or good. The survey was set up by John MacGregor, the former education secretary, after claims that there had been a 50 per cent rise in the number of children unable to master simple words and sentences during the past four years.

The inspectors visited 120 primary schools this term to investigate teaching methods. They are believed to have rejected the idea that modern methods are to blame for the failure of some children as they say they can find no evidence of a decline in standards since 1970.

A second survey from the National Foundation for Educational Research, also to be published soon, will show difficulties in 19 of the 26 local education authorities that had kept records. The government says that only when all 109 local authorities have detailed records based on the same requirements under the national curriculum will it be possible to have a complete

national picture. The first tests of seven-yearolds begin in the spring but the results will not be published. It is expected, however, that most local authorities will publish the results of the tests taken the following year.

Karpov wins in phoney war

at end of lost chess challenge

By RAYMOND KEENE, CHESS CORRESPONDENT

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# Police grapple with the realities of race

By STEWART TENDLER

THE Liverpool policeman had barely sat down in the home of his Asian host at the start of an experimental weekend stay when a stone came crashing through the window, followed by shouts of abuse. As he walked with the family's children the nex day, he was greeted with cries of "Paki-lover" from neighbours windows.

By the end of the weekend the

unnerved policeman, a tough former CID officer, admitted that he had been wrong to believe that racial incidents were merely the infrequent product of drunkenness or squabbles in Chinese restaurants. He now

accepted that immigrant families and their guests could be at the constant mercy of the racist, even in a small town like Bedford. Today the policeman is back with

his own force as one of the first graduates of a new scheme sponsored by the Home Office. It is aimed at dragging the police service into confrontation with the issues of race and community relations and forcing

officers to plan a positive strategy.

Weekends spent living with members of ethnic minorities are a key part of a special course to set police trainers on the road to changing the ethos of their forces.

Since the course began over a year ago more than 40 officers from almost every force in the country have experienced first hand the realities of racial harassment. One officer was banned from a public house with his black host. Another was abused obscenely from a passing car as he led a crocodile of Asian children. Next year other officers will spend similar weekends in such areas as Liverpool's Toxteth. The power behind the unit and the

course is Jerome Mack, a former United States Air Force expert in community relations, whose company, Equality Associates, has worked in Britain for such clients as TSB, BBC Television, the prison service, and senior civil servants. Last year Mr Mack and his company captured the Home Office police contract, worth £380,000 a year, against competition from several

The Home Office wanted to end what was seen as the marginalisation of race and community relations



Power drive: Jerome Mack, the man behind the course aimed at

training within the police and also to avoid a repeat of their disastrous first attempt at central training provided by Brunel university. The course collapsed with the police at odds with

Mr Mack has three years, with a lary will start looking for results.

possible two-year extension, to train police trainers and develop a national race and community relations strategy. The Home Office has made it clear that the police must respond and next year inspectors of constabu-

THE government today urges employers to

review their recruitment and dismissal proce-

**Employment law forces reviews** 

does not underestimate the chall-enge. The theory behind his work is not to alter attitudes but to change behaviour in the workplace, taking

everybody along in the process.

Programmes that left whites saying What about me?" or others saying

"Now it's my turn", were wrong.
"It is stupid because they create a
new victim," he said. The TSB corporate philosophy of "the best person for the job and the best service for the customer" was a good example of a simple, effective

Equality Associates has devised a four-part programme which first raises the consciousness of students and then sends them on to examining the benefits of change, dealing with implementing it and finally putting change into practice with what has been learnt about the different requirements of minority groups.

The six-week course for police trainers up to the rank of chief inspector is intended to provide them with the first stage of the programme and send them back to their forces with a plan of campaign for stage two and beyond. Mr Mack and his team will go to each force to start the education process for the more senior

"I believe police officers in the main will respond to a call for increased professionalism," Mr Mack said. "They know clear-up rates don't come from detection but help from the public and they are not going to be successful if they are seen as racists or bullies or sexist. There is a cadre who think it is okay to be racist or sexist because in the past the leadership has not been vigorous enough to deal with it."

He said the top ranks were now committed to change. The middle ranks of superintendents and chief superintendents might be more diffi-cult. They could be powerful, complacent and almost untouchable because of the police career system but they had to be persuaded to accept the programme. His skirmishes with police middle management may prove good training for his next big assignment. In the summer of 1991 Mr Mack will hold what could prove to be the first of a series of courses on minorities and the criminal justice system for High Court judges.

union membership or non-membership. He

said that procedures should not obstruct

companies' scope to dismiss people to deter

employees to take industrial action in support

It will be unlawful for unions to call on

and discourage unofficial industrial action.

## Four given new hearts at one hospital

Four patients were given heart transplants at the Freeman hospital in Newcastle upon Tyne over the Christmas period, and all were reported yesterday to be making good

The four patients, who were ot named, included a 53-year old man from Glenrothes, Fife, whose five-hour operation began on Christmas eve and ended on Christmas day.

The operation was carried out by a team headed by John Dark, the hospital's consul-

#### **Bodies found**

The bodies of a man and his wife, both in their late fifties, were found yesterday in the Felling area of Gateshead, Tyne and Wear. Police are juestioning a man.

#### Prisoner dies

Police were yesterday questioning three inmates at Canterbury prison after a remand prisoner, Anthony Whittaker, aged 52, from London, died after being found unconcious in his cell.

#### Bridge closure

Waterloo Bridge, carrying one of London's busiest roads, is to close from Wednesday for urgent repairs, expected to last

#### Wreck hunt

A small team of divers is to try to locate the wreck of the Joshua, a Dutch warship that sank with the loss of her crew after the battle of Sole Bay, Suffolk, in May, 1672.

#### Police gaslight

An annual Home Office inspector's report has criti-cised the dilapidated condition of Hampshire police buildings. It says one station uses gas lamps for lighting and secretary, said that employers should review that policemen are forced to their recruitment procedures to ensure that take showers in a storeroom. applicants were not refused jobs because of

#### Bond winners

National Savings Premium Bonds weekly prize draw: £100,000, bond number ICL 780235, winner lives in Windsor-and Maidenhead; £50,000 25CF 374868, Merseyside; £25,000 12YW 942359, Essex.

## Union case drags on after 135 days

By TIM JONES, EMPLOYMENT CORRESPONDENT

LIKE stragglers from a broken them, the 19 shop stewards army, the remnants of what formerly employed at Tilbury was to have been a last great, are claiming that they were stand of organised labour unfairly dismissed by the Port stand of organised labour against a hostile government will this week dutifully resume abolition of the dock labour their seats in an austere room in central London and continue what has become the an increase in the number of longest running industrial tri-

With no end in sight, and with 135 days already behind



Todd: the rhetoric turned

dures to take account of employment legislation that comes into force tomorrow (Philip The Employment Act 1990 brings in a number of new labour law provisions, including steps against unofficial industrial action, new measures against sympathy action of London Authority after the

Some estimates suggest that costs of the tribunal have exceeded £3 million and the saga of accusations and recruminations is drag on through the winter

and into next autumn. In the words of Ron Todd general secretay of the transport workers' union, port employers would have on their hands a dispute "the like of which you have never seen' if a single docker was dismissed for striking against the abolition of the scheme.

He turned out to be general with merely a regiment or two rather than an army, and fears that Britain would be brought to its knees as the docks closed and the nation's lifeline throttled proved as empty as the rbetoric.

Although the 19 men have received severance payments of up to £35,000, it is understood that, acting on union advice, most of them have not touched the money as to do so would be to concede that they had lost their jobs.

The dock labour scheme, abolished 18 months ago, was regarded by the government and by employers as an outmoded form of protectionism that allowed workers, secure in the knowledge they could not be dismissed, to make outrageous demands on the

Throughout the tribunal hearing, the 19 men have heard employers accusing them of organising complicated restrictive practices which seriously hampered the ability of the port to be competitive.

John McNab, the port's chief executive, described the "nine o'clock squeeze" which involved almost daily demands of a financial or manning nature with an indication that if they were not agreed there might be disruption of

He said it referred to squeezing a lemon dry. "We were the lemon."

The former stewards have maintained that the employ-ers were inherently against unions and had failed to recognize the need for proper training and manning levels for some of the equipment their members were expected to operate.

One said that they hoped for the return of a Labour government to re-establish a national dock scheme in which trade unions played their proper

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ANATOLY Karpov slammed and Colonial tournament at cessful blockading position. the stable door shut in game Hastings, Britain's premier grandmaster event, there was Kosten, a recent addition to further sharp play in round The game between Jon

Gary Kasparov, who has Speelman and Daniel King 12 points, played like a man ended in a fairly bloodless draw, but there were fierce battles in the other three games. Bent Larsen, the Danish grandmaster and threetimes world championship semi-finalist, escaped against Evgeni Bareev, a Soviet grandmaster, who established a crushing advantage in the form of two connected passed pawns on the sixth rank, both threatening to advance and

become queens. In a desperate time scramble, during which Bareev lost Chandler bt Sax. Scores after effect at all on Kasparov's his nerve, the young Soviet Since both players have Olympic gold medallist pledged their prizes to public pushed the wrong pawn, causes (Karpov to victims of allowing Larsen's king to slip Chernobyl, and Kasparov to at the last minute into a suc-

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The grandmaster Tony the ranks of English grandmasters, won the queen of his opponent, Iceland's top player Helgi Olafsson, a grandmaster. To much surprise, not least that of Kosten, the extra queen failed to break through a fortification erected by the two black knights.

The best game of the day was Murray Chandler's professional demolition of a somewhat suspect opening variation chosen by the Hungarian world championship candidate Gyula Sax.

Second-round results: Speelman d King; Kosten d Olafsson; Bareev d Larsen; two rounds: Larsen, Speel-man, Olafsson 1/2pta; Chandler. Sax 1: King, Kosten,

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# Iraq plans to hold Kuwait with moat of burning oil

From Michael Theodoulou in Nicosia

IRAQ plans to defend its hold on Kuwait with a moat of burning oil, travellers from Kuwait who had access to military zones said

The travellers said Iraq had dug a trench 15ft deep by 15ft wide along the Gulf coast and near the Saudi border. Next to it was a new pipeline with valves at regular intervals to pour oil into the trench, which could be set on fire to provide a formidable defence against a tank-led assault by the

multinational forces.

Iraq remained in a defiant mood yesterday with just 16 days to go before the United Nations deadline for it to remove its troops from Kuwait expires, and threatened again to attack American interests around the world if war broke out. Iraq said it was holding an Islamic conference in Baghdad to discuss plans for a jihad, or holy

Iraq's al-Thawra newspaper, the mouthpiece of the ruling Baath party, scoffed at Washington's hopes that any conflict would be confined to the Gulf, and said its vital interests worldwide were targets for attack by Muslim guerrillas. Several Baghdad-based Palestinian factions have pledged to carry out such strikes if Iraq, now the chief sponsor of an

## Gaza and West Bank rocked by clashes

From Richard Owen IN JERUSALEM

TWO Palestinians died in West Bank clashes yesterday and dozens were wounded in a wave of violence after four Palestinians were shot dead by troops during riots in Gaza on Saturday. An Arab woman also died after inhaling tear gas.

Gaza yesterday was declared a closed military zone, with the Strip's population of 750,000 Arabs kept under curfew.

According to Palestinian sources, 150 Arabs were wounded in Saturday's disturbances, which began when troops opened fire at Arab activists writing graffiti on walls in Rafah refugee camp to commemorate the 26th anniversary of the first armed operation against Israel by Fatah, the main-stream group within the Palestine

Liberation Organisation. Israeli army sources said the Arab activists killed at Rafah had been wearing masks (an offence justifying opening fire under Isracli regulations), had been carrying knives, and had refused to obey an order to hait. An army spokesman said the number of wounded on Saturday was 90, not 150, and accused Palestinians of "transmitting bombastic numbers

to the media" Sources in Gaza said yesterday's disturbances erupted when troops "interfered with" funeral and memorial marches for the four dead men. Troops used gravel cannon and tear gas as well as builets to engage thousands of Arabs in the ensuing street battles.

General Yitzhak Mordechai, the army head of central command, yesterday denied that the emergence of a previously un-known group of Jewish settler extremists called the Zionist Avengers marked a resurgence of Jewish Underground, the terrorist group broken up by police in the mid-1980s. On Saturday a Palestinian doctor on the West Bank was wounded by a gunman wearing a kippa (Jewish religious skullcap) and army uniform.

The daily newspaper Davar said that Jewish extremists who attacked Arabs must be brought to justice to avoid the accusation that Israel was applying "legal double standards". The mass circulation daily Yedioth Aharonoth said there was "an obvious link" between the weekend violence and the recent shooting of Arabs by extremist Jewish settlers on the West Bank. The newspaper said there had been "an intensifying cycle of violence" since the Temple Mount killings in October, and this could only be ended by peace negotiations with the Palestinians. Such talks would also undercut attempts by President Saddam Hussein of Iraq to associate the Palestinian issue with the Gulf confrontation, the paper said.

The left-wing daily Al Hamishmar said people in Gaza were desperate because they had nothing to lose. The only solution lay in an Israeli evacuation of the Gaza Strip. Guido Di Marco, president of the United Nations General Assembly, is to visit Palestinian refugees in the West Bank and Gaza on Wednesday following a United Nations resolution, supported by the United States, condemning Israeli behaviour in the occupied

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independent Palestinian state.

comes under attack. "It will be among the first duties

of Arab and Muslim holy fighters, who are eagerly waiting for the beginning of the confrontation, to open the fire of their anger towards the forces of tyranny who want to impose their evil to stop their march," said al-Thawra. Abdullah Fadhil, Iraq's re-

ligious affairs minister, said Baghdad was organising a three-day Islamic conference on January 9, just six days before the UN

He said more than 350 delegates would come from more than 17 countries, which would include not only Muslim nations such as Libya, Jordan, Yemen and Turkey, but also those with Muslim communities such as the United States, the Soviet Union, Australia and European countries.

Radical movements such as Hamas and Islamic Jihad, both known for their attacks on Israel, had been invited, "This will be a conference for jihad," Mr Fadhil said. Al-Thawra said: "Every Muslim will be a missile to be thrown against the enemy once he launches his armed aggression against Irao."

President Saddam Hussein said he had yet to receive any "eff-. ective and constructive" proposals to resolve the confrontation and repeated that the Palestinian issue was the key to regional peace. He was speaking to Budimir Loncar, Yugoslavia's for-eign minister, in Baghdad on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, the latest organisation to

attempt a last-ditch peace mission.
There was little hope Mr Loncar's mission could succeed where top-level Arab and Soviet efforts have failed. Both Iraq and Kuwait belong to the mainly third world movement which has a poor record of solving regional disputes among its members.

On Saturday, Iraq's Revolu-tionary Command Council issued a formal statement insisting there would no withdrawal from Kuwait by the UN deadline. It dismissed as "sick" and "evil" reports that Iraq was planning a partial withdrawal before then in return for American guarantees that it would not attacked.

The council also angrily rejected rumours that the Iraqi leadership was preparing for a face-saving way out of the confrontation by planning mass peace rallies to take place on January 10, calling for a withdrawal from Kuwait.



Fighting fit: Kuwaiti army volunteers yesterday going through physical exercises at a military training camp which houses 1,200 men in the Saudi Arabian desert

## Arab generals say war against Baghdad could be won on the first day of battle

AUTHORITATIVE Western estimates of Iraq's fighting ability are disputed by Arab and Muslim generals who have fought or cooperated with Iraq's forces. They say a war against Iraq could effectively be won on its first day.

The morale of Iraq's soldiers is likely to be its lowest ever, the generals say. Some conscripts have not been released since 1975 and some frontline troops have been fed secretly by American soldiers at Saudi Arabia's border with Kuwait, allowing their equipment to be inspected by the

The generals say Iraq, with a population of only 17 million, is a Third World society, most of whose ethnically and religiously divided people are almost certain to harbour a deep dislike for the ruling Baath party.

Warnings by American commanders that war could last for months and cause heavy allied casualties conflict with the opinions of those who have had close dealings with the Iraqi military. These include the Egyptian high command, which helped to strengthen President Saddam Hussein's forces until he invaded Kuwait, Iranian veterans of the eight-year Gulf war and Kurdish

guerrilla leaders in Iraq, who have fought a low-intensity war against Baghdad since 1961. one bomb or ten bombs cannot contaminate a city or large numbers of troops with anti-chemical

defences."

According to Field Marshal Mohammad Abdel Halim Abu Ghazala, until last year Egypt's minister of defence, allied casualties could be limited to several hundred, and many of President Saddam's claims of possessing advanced weapons are no more than a bluff. Field Marshal Ghazala said at

se weekend that he expected the allied air forces to eliminate Iraq's air force, air defences and missiles in their first few strikes. After that, the Iraqi army would become easy prey for the advanced weapons in the allies' arsenal.

The field marshal, who supervised Egypt's co-operation with Iraq to develop long-range mis-siles, told the BBC World Service that all of Baghdad's missiles were based on Soviet Scuid B missiles which had a range of only 180 miles and carried small warlieads. If their range were increased, the weight of their warheads would diminish correspondingly.

The Scud is not a very accurate missile and the Iraqis don't have many of them," he said. "I doubt very much if the Iraqis have been able to make chemical warheads

for them, and even if they have. Jalai Talabani, the main leader

European military experts believe the two thousand American and allied fighter-bombers that face Iraq would be able to mount at least 6,000 sorties in the first five days of war, virtually destroying the Iraqi air force during the first day.

This assessment is based on the Iraqis' performance during the war with Iran. Iran's ageing American aircraft, of which only 50 could fly at the same time, proved more than a match for iraq's 500 more modern fighters, mainly because of the poor train-

ing and motivation of Iraqi pilots. Equally poorly trained are the men who command Iraq's ground troops. Persistent reports of the arrest and execution of army officers give the impression of a force which is never consulted before it is launched into war, and the valour of whose best commanders serves only to incur the enmity of a jealous tyrant who regards them as mere technicians. At least 10,000 troops are estimated to have gone into hiding since the invasion of Kuwait, and

dozens of junior officers have sought asylum in Iran, Turkey, Syria and Saudi Arabia.

of the Iraqi Kurds who has periodically fought and negotiated with President Saddam since 1968, believes President Saddam refuses to bow to the superior allied forces because he is still unconvinced that the Americans will fight him. "He will be convinced only when the first attacks are launched. Then he will ask for a ceasefire," Mr Talabani

In the end, the duration of any war with Irag's armed forces, which number an estimated one million men, including the Popular Army of ageing men, will depend on the allies' aims. While the eviction of Iraq from Kuwait might be achieved within a few days, the overthrow of the Baath party in Baghdad would require engagement on a scale possibly greater than envisaged.

However, once Iraq's air force was destroyed and its army's supply lines were cut by allied air power, starvation could be relied on to do the rest. Few would urge that American and British tanks drive up the Baghdad road from

## Seat-belt father on child death charge

New York - Ramiro DeJesus Rodriguez, a Nicaraguan immigrant who failed to fasten a seatbelt around his daughter, Veronica, aged three, has been charged with killing her (James Bone writes). She died after hitting the dashboard in a crash while he was driving home from a supermarket in Hialeah, Florida. His wife. Veronica's mother, was also in the car when Mr Rodriguez tried to make a left turn and hit an oncoming van. Veronica, who had been sitting on her mother's lap, died of head injuries four hours

after the crash.
Since 1982 Florida law has required children to be strapped into a special safety seat which would probably have saved Veronica. The state attorney has charged Mr Rodriguez with 'vehicular homicide", a felony. The case, which is scheduled to come to trial on January 28, is the first test of mandatory child seatbelt laws now in effect in most American states. A Californian man charged in similar circumstances earlier this year was not prosecuted because of adverse

Mr Rodriguez, who sent his daughter for burial in Nicaragua attend, says he usually strapped Veronica into a safety seat but did not do so on the day she died because the trip, to buy milk and eggs at a nearby grocer's shop, was so short. The impoverished Nicaraguan community in south Florida is collecting money for his

#### Cuban aid deal

Mexico City - Cuba, which has imposed severe austerity measures to cope with financial difficulties, has signed a new economic aid pact with the Soviet Union, the Cuban official news agency reported. Soviet officials have said that the economic crisis in their own country would mean significant cuts in aid to Cuba, whose hardline communist government has been increasingly at odds with the changing Soviet Union. (AP)

#### Youth for trial

New York - Lawrence Bartley. aged 17, of Long Island, has been charged over the Christmas Day shooting at a screening of *The* Godfather, Part III in which a boy aged 15 died after being shot in the head and three bystanders were wounded, police said. He is charged with reckless endangerment and criminal possession of a weapon, Andrew DiSimone. a Nassau County police spokesman, said (AP)

#### Sri Lanka truce

Tigers guerrilla group has an-nounced an indefinite ceasefire in Sri Lanka starting in the new year. It said it was suspending the latest round of its separatist campaign which has left some 5,250 people dead since June. The truce would allow relief work in the northeastern regions. A senior government official said the government was aware of the offer and it was under

Colombo - The dominant Tamil

#### Leaders still jailed Athens - The Greek government

has reversed a decision to free seven of the last eight leaders of the country's 1967-1974 military junta still in jail. A spokesman, Byron Polydoras, said after an emergency meeting of senior ministers that the decision had been taken to prevent socialists and communists in the opposition from taking advantage of what was a humanitarian decision. (AFP)

## American congressmen urge flexibility over Gulf talks

From Susan Ellicott in Washington

THE Bush administration is under increasing pressure to be flexible about proposed talks be-tween the United States and Iraq amid lingering hopes that a diplomatic solution to the Gulf

confrontation is possible. Congressional leaders invited to the White House this week will urge President Bush to soften his opposition to holding talks with Baghdad no later than January 3 as part of a last-disch effort to resolve the situation peacefully. Robert Dole, the Senate Republican leader, said yesterday that Iraq's ambassador to Washington, Muhammad al-Mashat, at the weekend "gave some indication there was some flexibity" in Baghdad on dates for high-level US-Iraqi talks.

In Time magazine, Mr Bush said his gut feeling was that President Saddam Hussein of Iraq would pull out of Kuwait even though some Arab leaders believed he would not take such action for fear of being toppled.

His comments appeared as speculation grew that the European Community might open its own dialogue with President Saddam in an attempt to solve the situation peacefully before the United Nations deadline for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait. The French foreign ministry said yesterday the EC's 12 foreign ministers would hold a meeting about the confrontation on Friday in Luxembourg. Also on January 4, the foreign ministers of Egypt,



Dole: has a gut feeling that peace will prevail

Syria and Saudi Arabia are due to discuss the issue in Jeddah. Mr Dole, who has supported the White House's handling of the Gulf affair over the past five months, told NBC News's Meet the Press that leading Democrats and Republicans would talk to Mr

Bush about America's insistence

on holding discussions between President Saddam and James Baker, the US Secretary of State, before January 3. Iraq has offered January 12 as a date for talks. "There's got to be," a shift in Washington's position, Mr Dole said. He added: "My gut tells me

there will be a resolution without His words echoed remarks by Mr Bush, who is due back in Washington tomorrow from Camp David. In an interview published today in *Time*, he said: "My gut says he will get out of there. But that flies in the face of what some of the Arab leaders tell me, which is that he cannot get out. He cannot do in Kuwait what

he did in Iran. He cannot do it and survive domestically."
The White House had no comment about Mr Bush's remarks. Administration officials have kept a low profile over the holiday period. Their uncustomary silence has stirred speculation that a diplomatic solution to the confrontation might surface even

without visible signs of progress. Diplomatic sources in Baghdad were quoted in The Washington Post as saying they believed President Saddam was preparing a last-minute ploy to delay Ameri-

# Refresher training for back-up troops

By NICHOLAS WATT

called up for compulsory service in the Gulf and members of the Territorial Army who have volunteered to serve there will have about ten days of concentrated refresher training, probably in Cheshire, before flying out in mid-January.

The training will polish the individual skills, including dealing with chemical weapons, that they will need if there is a war. There will be courses in medical skills and in particular in the methods used by the British Army. The troops will also begin to learn the teamwork they will need in the Gulf.

Most of them will work in the general hospitals which form the third line of medical defence in war. Some, however, may be called to serve in the field hospitals which form the second line of defence behind regimental aid posts. The medical training in Britain will not need to be extensive since those who have been called up have proven medi-

cal skills. The first batch of volunteer personnel, who have already been interviewed, have been told to report on Wednesday. The 250 army reservists who were called can military action by appearing shortfall will report on Saturday.

ARMY reservists who have been This batch will then undergo a screening process that will involve a fitness test and an interview which will consider compassionate reasons, such as totally dependent infirm members of their families, for allowing individuals to withdraw their services. The interviews will also consider any conscietious objections and whether a reservist should be paid up to 20 per cent more than the set army salary to belp make up any shortfall in

civilian salary. The Ministry of Defence has called up only reservists for compulsory service and members of the Territorial Army are going only if they have volunteered.

Tam Dalyell, the Labour MP,

has won backing for his weekend advice to reservists to defy the call-up. The support came from Alex Falconer, Labour Euro-MP for Mid Scotland and Fife, at a peace vigil in Kirkcaldy yesterday. He told about a hundred campaigners: "I am pleased to see Tam Dalyell's statement. I wish it was supported by other members of Parliament." He claimed that the Americans had already "ordered their first 100,000 body bags to ensure that bodies are

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# Janus face of Bush joins hallowed hall of fame

From James Bone in New York

EVERY president of the United States since Roosevelt has been chosen by Time magazine as its Man of the Year, and as this year comes to an end George Bush joins that distinguished list -

In an equivocal tribute. Time named the "two sides of President Bush" as Men of the Year and printed a Janus-like double exposure of the president on the cover. "One was a foreign policy profile that was a study in resoluteness and mastery, the other a domestic visage just as strongly marked by wavering and

Henry Muller, the managing editor, told a news conference that Mr Bush narrowly defeated President Saddam Hussein of Iraq for the coveted title. "Why didn't we pick Saddam? The answer in the end really is that

enough to make you man of the year," Mr Muller said. The choice raised eyebrows in Washington, where Mr Bush has been locked in combat with Congress over the US budget and his hardline policy in the Gulf. The Washington Post attrib-

uted two of its top ten "Great

invading a little country is not

After causing a furore among farmers by revealing his dislike of broccoli, Mr Bush said that he did not have to eat it because "I'm president of the United States". And on the reversal of his campaign pledge of "no new taxes", Mr Bush said: "But you know, sometimes you run into some realities."

Mr Bush's son Neil, involved in a scandal relating to a bankrupt savings and loan institution, picked up a third excuse of the year for the Bush family with his explanation: "First of all, I didn't know that much about financial institutions." Time said Mr Bush

confusion," the weekly news excuses of 1990" to Mr Bush, had "raised a vision of a new magazine said in its cover-story.

After causing a furore among world order" by building an international coalition against Iraq. But domestically, he left "things alone until he could no longer avoid taking action".
"Global diplomacy is what he has trained for and what absorbs him; domestic affairs are just not as much fun," the magazine said.

Other figures Time cited as among the year's most important personalities were Nelson Mandela, deputy leader of the African National Congress, and Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, Boris Yeltsin, president of the Russian Federation, was also mentioned - a sign of how far

the fortunes of Time's Man of the Decade for the 1980s, President Gorbachev, have fallen in the Time called Bart Simpson, the

taken back to America".

cartoon bad boy who stars in the television series The Simpsons. the "most overexposed underachiever" and featured the popular hero on the cover of its penultimate edition of 1990. Both Bart and President Bush

were among People magazine's "25 most intriguing people of 1990". President Bush, "his place in history insecure, faces a sea of troubles - and his most daunting crisis," the magazine

## THE TIMES MONDAY DECEMBER 31 1990

# Recession likely to spark workers' revolt in eastern Europe

that the worker, pampered hero of communist propaganda, feli from grace. The coming year, 1991, is the year that he will strike back, a time of danger for the barely-formed political institutions of the new eastern Europe.

For the first time in 45 years workers became vulnerable to unemployment. They came to fear not the arbitrary whims of communist managers, but the union shop steward strolling down the factory floor selecting those who should be made redundant. Inflation, suppressed under the communists (when it was expressed in the form of chronic shortages and long queues), came into the open, biting into their savings and those of their retired parents. State subsidies peeled away by monetarist finance ministers in Poland, Hungary and

tected areas, kindergarten fees bus tickets, coal for pensioners, fell as if to invading forces: market forces, perhaps.

It was a great shock that has not been fully digested, nor compensated for by the first free parliamentary elections (and in Poland's case, presidential elections) since before the war. Instead, elected politicians were seen as even more fickle than their communist predecessors, and parliaments were distrusted as cliques of metropolitan intellectuals trying to hijack the democratic revolutions.

In fact the 1989 revolutions for the most part bypassed the workers, drawing only on their passive support. That year saw a youth revolt, the triumph of an anti-totalitarian vision protected by dissidents, a national and nationalist uprising all of this,

Inflation, not democratic revolution, has reshuffled the

social cards and lengthened emigration queues in Poland.

Similar problems beset Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Roger Boyes says the creation of a middle class is the only hope

and more, but never a worker revolution in the classical mode. Instead workers became the prime victims of the second stage revolution, the market revolution. Now, as recession takes a firmer hold, workers are waking up, trying to find a real political

By the end of 1990, unemployment in Poland had reached 1.2 million and was set to pass the two million mark by the summer of 1991. Czechoslovakia and Hungary tried to cashion unemployment and managed to keep it down to about 100,000 in

both countries. But as privatisation was pushed harder in Prague, it was obvious to the financial planners that there would be a big leap in the number of jobless by the spring. Czechoslovakia is due on New Year's day to raise prices across the

All three nations were facing the shock of paying for Soviet oil and gas in hard currency. The prospect of a Gulf war has pushed up world oil prices and upset all the carefully-argued plans presented to the International Mone-Fund. Mechanical engineering industries, specifi-cally constructed with Soviet needs in mind, will no longer have a customer in Moscow and cannot find a market in the West for their low quality products.

The trades unions, even leg-endary Solidarity, saw their power ebb away in 1990. In 1980, as a national protest movement, Solidarity had ten million members: in 1990, it could claim barely two million. In Hungary and Czechoslovakia, where unions have not completely divorced themselves from socialist thinking, there was a stark choice:

defend the market revolution, or defend the workers. More and more workers were inclined to stage wildcat strikes. It was hyperinflation, rather

than the democratic revolution, which reshuffled the social cards in Poland. Now the same effect threatens Czechoslovakia and Hungary. The communist states "workers' and peasants' states". But hyperinflation destroyed the value of productive work, forcing many to join the emigration queues. Farmers too, do not know how to cope with new cheap imports and are implicitly rejecting reform by demanding credits and some price subsidies.

The one hope is the rapid coming togather of a responsible middle class. There are signs that the new property-owning private entrepreneurs who have emerged functions of funding charities, patronising the arts and above all propping up parliamentary democracy, but this still too distant for a turnaround in 1991.

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Instead worker discontent will simmer and stew. Who will be the arbiter now of social justice? Who will protect the pensioners, teachers, health service workers, the unemployed? Centre right governments in Poland and Hungary will try their best. Czechoslovakia, with Slovakia straining at the leash, must also move in this direction. Yet the pressure of unrest, above all from workers, will mean that calls for national unity will almost certainly not wash with workers feeling the pinch of the recession. There will be moves to revive left-wing parties speaking directly to the needs of the displaced workers. It will be an explosive new year.

# Poland's new prime minister aims to pursue market reform

From Agencies in Warsaw

JAN Krzysztof Bielecki, Poland's prime minister-designate, yesterday continued his efforts to form a transitional government to run the country until parliamentary elections are held, probably next spring.

Mr Bielecki was named by President Walesa on Saturday to take over from Tadeusz Mazowiecki, who resigned as prime minister after a humiliating defeat in last month's presidential election. His nomination must be approved by the lower house of parliament (Sejm), which is expected to consider it on Friday.

The choice of Mr Bielecki, a businessman and Solidarity member of parliament, appears to ment to continue the drive to-

## Albanians join exodus to Greece

Athens - Hundreds of Albanians the greatest single exodus since the Albanian Communist regime promised democratic reforms.

A police spokesman in the Greek border village of Filiates said at least 500 Albanians had swarmed over the border by daybreak, bringing the total to more than 1,000 for December. All were seeking political asylum. Most of the Albanians who have crossed the 100-mile frontier have been ethnic Greeks.

\*Our police station has become a refugee centre," said the spokesman. "They must have opened the border and let them come. It looks like there are whole villages crossing. It's a madhouse here."

Police were automatically granting political asylum to ethnic Greeks. The spokesman said the other Albanians would be taken to the United Nations Lavrion refugee centre, 40 miles from Athens. Vyron Polydoras, a government spokesman, appealed to ethnic Greeks to remain in Albania. (AP)

#### Seized Briton freed

A BRITISH woman was one of 88 passengers freed unharmed by the hijackers of an Algerian aircraft. who later surrendered in Algiers. The woman, married to an Algerian, was the only Briton among 14 foreigners on board. Two armed Algerians, both in their 20s, seized the Air Algerie Boeing 737 during an internal flight on Friday. Algiers radio said the hijackers wanted to go to Tunis and were protesting against repression of Muslim fundamentalists there.

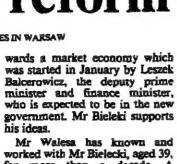
#### Junta pardoned

Buenos Aires - President Menem of Argentina officially pardoned the men who overthrew Isabelle Peron and subsequently waged a seven-year "dirty war" against subversion during which thousands of people disappeared. Although Senor Menem has presented the pardons as an act of national reconciliation, they have been rejected by almost every political party and polis show that more than 60 per cent of the population is against the reprieve.

#### **EC** funds request

The European Commission has asked the European Parliament to allow it to reallocate £62 million which had been set aside for social policies, using it for agriculture

instead (Andrew McEwen writes). Glyn Ford, leader of the Euronean parliamentary Labour party, said the Parliament's social affairs committee was "pretty annoyed" about the request and had asked Vasso Papandreou, commissioner for social affairs, to appear before



for more than a decade. A graduate of Gdansk University, Mr Bielecki became an economic adviser to Solidarity in 1980. After the imposition of martial law in 1981 he lost his job at a management college for taking part in a protest strike. In 1985 he founded Doradca, a private business consultancy. The company has been involved in preparing some of the recent privatisations of stateowned enterprises. Mr Bielecki was elected to

parliament as a Gdansk deputy in June 1989. He is a leader of the but influential Gdanskbased Liberal Democratic Congress Party, the first group before the collapse of communism to start advocating a radical switch to free-market economics.

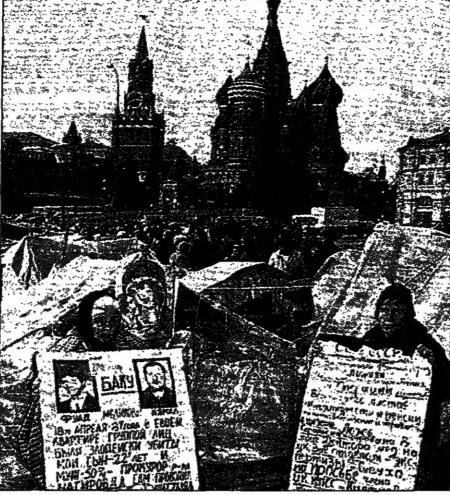
Mr Bielecki was President Walesa's third choice for the job after Mr Mazowiecki refused his Olszewski, a Solidarity lawyer, failed to form a government. Mr Bielecki made clear on Saturday that he had taken the job reluctantly and intended to be only a transitional prime minister. "I consider this a service to the state and to Poland and would like to end my service with free elections," he told reporters.

He said he expected to announce his proposed cabinet within a few days. It would combine people "with a lot of experience" with "people as unknown as I am".

Mr Bielecki speaks fluent English, plays tennis and is a soccer fan. He is married and has two



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# Alarm bells echo through Soviet media as Shevardnadze programme censored

From Mary Dejevsky in moscow

SOVIET media representatives at the programme-makers the docu- year it was 22 million - the paper tion. When the "official" papers have added their influential voice to support the view that President Gorbachev has conceded ground to hardliners and that perestroika and glasnost are in danger.

On Friday night, the presenter of Vzglyad, a television pro-

gramme renowned for its bold interpretation of glasnost, an-nounced that a planned documentary on Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation had been withdrawn on instructions from the State Committee on Radio and Television. In what would once have been an act warranting immediate dismissal and still takes courage, Aleksandr Lyubimov said that in the view of

From Mary Dejevsky

PRESIDENT Gorbachev signed

two economic decrees over the

weekend in an attempt to reduce

next year's internal deficit and

combat the reluctance of several

Soviet republics to contribute to

He announced a 5 per cent sales

tax to come into effect throughout

the Soviet Union from tomorrow

and the creation of a "stabilisation

fund" to tide upprofitable in-

dustries over the transition to

market conditions. The two de-

crees were published as the Rus-

the central budget.

political grounds". For several days now, a similar

allegation of "glasnost in peril" has been levelled by a number of official newspapers, including the official trade union paper, Trud, and the main Moscow paper, Moskovskaya Pravda. They have published front-page articles claiming that freedom of expression is endangered by changes in the funding of the press.

Trud complained that the newspaper had been presented with a sharp rise in the price of newsprint which would not be covered by its advance subscriptions for 1991. Despite having the largest circulation of any Soviet paper - this

Gorbachev announces sales tax

sian Federation leader, Boris

Yeltsin, returned from his visit to

the autonomous republic of Yaku-

tia in the north-east of Siberia. Mr

Yeltsin was quoted as saying that

he had secured agreement on the

division of revenue between

Yakutia and the Russian Federa-

tion under whose jurisdiction the

main producer of gold and di-

amonds and a key area, both

economically and politically, in

the Russian Federation's plans for

a big cut in its contribution to the

central budget. If Yakutia, as an

autonomous republic, were of-

Yakutia is the Soviet Union's

autonomous republic comes.

Liberal Russians will tend to believe the presenter of Vzglyad when he says that his programme was unreasonably censored, but will have little sympathy for the embattled official press. Whether glasnost is at risk, however, is another matter. The official press has reason to be worried, not for the fate of glasnost, however, but because it is now to be confronted with commercial reality. The new press law required all Soviet publications with more than 1,000 subscribers to register, then solicit subscriptions for 1991 at an

appropriate price. Most Soviet papers are bought and delivered on annual subscrip-

fered its own seat on the new

council of the federation, it could

scupper the Russian Federation's

plans by voting with the central

leadership on economic questions

rather than with the Russian

Plans for a national sales tax

were announced in the draft

central budget published six weeks

ago, but the budget itself has not

yet been passed by the Soviet

In what may be a concession to

the republics, the decree says that

30 per cent of the income will be

retained by the centre, while 70

for newsprint and a likely reduction in readers. In the event, subscriptions are down by as much as 80 or 90 per cent, and the 1991 price of newsprint is likely to be several times the original estimate. Papers regarded before the new press law as "unofficial" have always had to obtain their materials, such as newsprint, on something akin to the open market, paying several times more than state-subsidised prices. As a result, they were generally 10 to 20 times more expensive than "official" papers, which cost between 3 and 5 kopecks (2 pence) and their readership was correspondingly lower. Commercially, however, they are far stronger.

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The head of a new body established to oversee the press, Mikhail Nenashev. told Moskovskaya Pravda that he hoped certain key publications would receive a befty subsidy to keep them going and "maintain glasnost". Some hitherto secure publications are likely to fail. If official and unofficial papers are forced to compete on price alone. the face of the Soviet press could look quite different in a few months' time.

The withdrawal of Vzglyad's analysis of Mr Shevardnadze's resignation appears to to be a clear case of censorship, and an ominous one at that. Television with some exception - is the most glasnost-minded of all the Soviet per cent will go to the republics media

He said 47 people were rounded up between 2,35 am and 3.50 am yesterday, a day after residents of the tents had been asked to end their protest. Fifty-two tents were "I heard a loud noise at about am and looked out of the

window," said Eduard Zaslavsky, a sailor whose room in the Rossiya hotel overlooks the site. "There were lorries and bulldozers. They took the people away in city buses. The whole country, led by Gorbachev is turning to the right. Now this." Most of tent city's full-time

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POLICE with bulldozers early

yesterday destroyed Moscow's "tent city", a group of makeshift

homes near the Kremlin that

sprang up as a gesture of dis-

illusionment with Soviet life. Wit-

nesses said the protest city's three

dozen residents were rounded up

by police before the bulldozers

flattened their plastic and card-

The police action crushed a

poienant symbol of hope for a

better future as the Soviet Union

headed into a new year certain to

be marked by food shortages,

ethnic tensions and deepening

"The tent city was a political

protest by the simple people," said

Svetlana Sedykh, who had lived

for three months in the shanty

town to promote her attempt to

emigrate. "This was the first and

the last such protest. There will

An interior ministry spokesman

said the police acted on orders

from the Moscow prosecutor after

a decision by the executive com-

mittee, a branch of local govern-

never be another," she said.

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residents, including elderly pensioners, war veterans and former mental patients with a variety of grievances, were taken into custody. A police officer at the scene said

some would be sent to mental hospitals while others would be freed after investigation. But the interior ministry spokesman said protesters would be given free tickets back to their home towns. Tent city, which sprang up last July, drew deprived and destitute people eager to air their grievances at the Kremlin's gates from across the Soviet Union. Their complaints covered everything from

homelessness to unemployment. poor food and low pensions. Until yesterday it had been tolerated by the radicals who run Moscow city council. Nobody on the council or the executive committee could be reached for comment.

#### De Michelis toasts his success at helm of the EC Paris, New York and London. But

From Paul Bompard IN ROME

GIANNI De Michelis, Italy's foreign minister, bubbled with bonhomie last week as he sipped sparkling wine in the frescoed rooms of Villa Madama, a 17th century building overlooking Rome. He was entertaining about 80 Italian and foreign journalists to celebrate the close of Italy's EC presidency, which in Italy is being hailed as a great success and of which Signor De Michelis has

been the undisputed star. Italy's extrovert and charismatic foreign minister can afford to look with bemused tolerance on earlier criticism of the Italian presidency, in particular a spate of attacks by the British press just before the October summit in Rome. He even smiled when reminded of The Economist's description of the Italian presidency as "a bus driven by the

Marx Brothers", which at the time provoked outrage among Italy's politicians and diplomats.

"The journalist who wrote that has since apologised to me," he said. Asked with which of the Marx Brothers he could most identify, Signor De Michelis laughed loudly and said: "Why, with Groucho, of course!"

There can now be little doubt that the Italian presidency, which passes to Luxembourg in January, was on the whole a success. Events such as German unification, the Gulf confrontation, and significant steps towards monetary unity lent prestige and a high profile to the presidency, and in general the Italian apparatus proved equal to its task even if, at first, aspects of the turbulent Italian style of doing things caused irritation. "At first there seemed to be a desire, in particular on the part of the British, to see Italy's presidency as said Signor De Michelis. "The results have clearly

proved otherwise, and incidentally Italy itself has proved a paragon of political stability. Over the past six months Britain has seen its prime minister resign, in France (Michel) Rocard (the prime minister) just scraped by with four votes, and Denmark was forced to hold early elections.

Nothing of the kind has happened Signor De Michelis attributes some of the British criticism to a basic unwillingness to move quickly along the path to unification, as well as to some surprise at Italian organisational methods. "Certainly we were very active, dynamic, and at times had to

improvise. This may have startled

a few people. We organised, at

relatively short notice, special

foreign ministers' meetings in

called, as some people have In Signor De Michelis's opinion, the Italian presidency has coincided with a new vision of

parliament.

European national politics. We now realise that Europe's politicians must reason in European rather than narrowly domestic terms," he said. "Thatcher's resignation is an eloquent example of a politician forced to bow to European logic, who had to respond to a European rather than a

domestic situation." The Italian political stability boasted by Signor De Michelis, however, is arguably the result of an agreement among the five coalition partners not to rock the boat of government during the Italian presidency. There has in fact been a great deal of turmoil in

Italy's politics, and an "examinathere was never anything irregular tion" of the five-party alliance is in the way these meetings were scheduled for January. This will involve the settling of accounts built up over the past six months and could lead to upheavals in the political balance. "But here, too," said Signor De Michelis, "those who have a European vision of

politics will prevail. On the Gulf situation, the Italian presidency has been firm and clear, a novelty compared with the flexibility and vagueness of past Italian policy on the Middle East. Last week, Signor De Michelis had a parting broadside on this subject: "Those fools who go on about negotiating with President Saddam Hussein only serve to bring the possibility of war closer. The point is that he

must leave Kuwait unconditionally, and any talk about negotiations and concessions only encourages him not to do so."

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# Peking uses five-year plan to reinforce its ideology

the collapse of communism in carry out in-depth education eastern Europe, yesterday in patriotism, collectivism vowed to strengthen ideologiand socialism and re-energise cal and political work to "reenergise the national spirit". The pledge came in a commuing public the guidelines for China's next five-year plan. But the communiqué repeatedly straved into the realms of

It declared that "in the face of a complicated international situation" it was necessary "to strengthen ideological and

### **Convicts** parade corpses in Dhaka

From REUTER

PRISONERS at Dhaka's central jail yesterday paraded the flower-bedecked bodies of three inmates killed when police opened fire on rioting convicts on Saturday, and threatened to stage a hunger

"Administration inside the prison has collapsed," police said. Most of the 4,700 prisoners had come out of their cells. Police and hospital sources said three prisoners were killed and at least 100 people, including 25 prison guards, were wounded. Witnesses said the death toll could

be as high as twenty.
Prisoners said they would go on hunger strike unless the authorities reviewed charges against them quickly and freed them. Repeated attempts to remove the bodies of the dead prisoners failed because angry inmates threatened to start

rioting again, police said. Prisoners carried the bodies, chanting: "We are hungry, we want freedom and we shall never go back into the dark cells." Some wrote their demands on pieces of paper, wrapping them around stones they threw to

Jail officials said the bodies had started to decompose but they did not have the forces to overpower the prisoners. An official said they could not call in reinforcements "because it might cause more trouble". Officials said police were forced to open fire on Saturday when prisoners attacked them and prison guards with sticks and stones.

Abdul Karin, a prison official, said prisoners demanding to be set free had argued that they had been jailed by military courts set up soon after the deposed President Ershad took power in a coup in 1982. They demanded their convictions be quashed now that he had resigned.

CHINA, clearly unnersed by political work in real carnest, the national spirit". The communique was heavy on hardline ideological

niqué which was intended to rhetoric but light on answers deal with the economy, mak-ing public the guidelines for nomic problems. The document was issued at the end of a central committee plenum which had been delayed since October because of disputes between Peking and the provinces over the economic direction for the future.

The plenum itself took six days, pointing to further time-

consuming disagreements.
The detailed proposals which make up the content of the five-year plan were not released, and the final document will only be published after the rubber-stamp parliament has officially approved it next March. The debate over economic

reform is believed to centre on the speed of economic change and the amount of autonomy allowed to the provinces. The provinces are eager to be freer to make their own decisions and to go all-out for growth in the manner which made some cities rich under the more flexible leadership of the ousted general secretary, Zhao Ziyang, Mr Zhao, now in internal political exile, drew up the last, highly reformist, five-year plan with Hu Yaobang, the late Communist party chief.

But yesterday's communique carried a dour warning to "guard against and overcome the tendency of being impatient for success", exactly the tendency which is prevalent in the provinces. in typically conservative

tone, the document emphasised the primary importance of agriculture in a country where 70 per cent of the population lives in the countryside. It also called for large state-run enterprises to be invigorated. Radical economists have suggested that the best way to deal with the large loss-making state industries would be to allow them to go bankrupt and die a natural death.

In line with earlier statements, the communiqué claimed that gross national product would quadruple by the end of the century, and

improve. The Central Committee also debated a ten-year national economic and social development programme. The communiqué's comment on this was equally halfhearted, but did note that the next ten years would be of 'pivotal" importance to China's fate.

The possible fall of China's socialist system clearly lay heavily on the minds of those drafting the document. Indeed, the first principle for implementing the plan, according to the communique, is to "firmly follow the road of building socialism".

## Reshuffle reveals Kaifu's weakness

From JOE JOSEPH IN TOKYO

his cabinet. But the significance of the move, which about Mr Kaifu's continuing weakness at the helm. It will bring few measurable changes to Japan's foreign or economic

After having said publicly several times that he did not want to rejig his team until early in the new year, Mr Kaifu on Saturday finally as chief cabinet secretary, gave buckled under the power of the grandees in his ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP).

Plucked from obscurity last year to take on the prime minister's job because all the



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Kaifu talking to reporters

TOSHIKI Kaifu, Japan's leading contenders had been prime minister, has prepared tainted by the Recruit bribery for the new year by reshuffling scandal, Mr Kaifu has never been his own man and has had to obey his benefactors' comes after a long and public instructions. But he saved tussle over its timing, lies some face by managing to mostly in what it betrays avoid including LDP bigwigs who had been caught in the Recruit mess and who felt that they had been long enough in the wilderness as a result.

Mr Kaifu has retained Taro Nakayama as his foreign minister and Ryutaro Hashimoto as his finance minister. Misoji Sakamoto, who also stays on, a clean bill of health to the new faces. He said there was nobody in the cabinet who would face public criticism for illegal stock dealings.

Seiroku Kajiyama, the plain-speaking former justice minister who recently compared Asian prostitutes to American blacks, was returned to the shadows. He is replaced by Megumu Sato.

Struggling to rebuild his popularity, Mr Kaifu also brought a woman, Akiko Santo, into his third cabinet to be head of the Science and

Technology Agency.
Three LDP party executives have also been kept on: Ichiro Ozawa as LDP secretary-gen eral. Takeo Nishioka as chairman of the executive council, and Mutsuki Kato as chairman of the policy affairs research council.



Dress sense: a street vendor in Peking, wrapped up against the winter chill, eating a steamed bun as he awaits customers for his 1991 calendars. Bestsellers feature scantily clad models, or kittens

# Muted response in Korea as Chun ends exile

mountaintop temple.

Plans by students to disrupt leaders had been arrested over the previous few days and

riot police were mobilised. Mr Chun was greeted on arrival by neighbours singing a Buddhist hymn and by 30 current and former members relatives. of parliament, with whom he seemed uncomfortable. He retreated into the palatial house he had donated to the the assassination of President state when he left for the Park in 1979, Observers say, temple in November 1988.

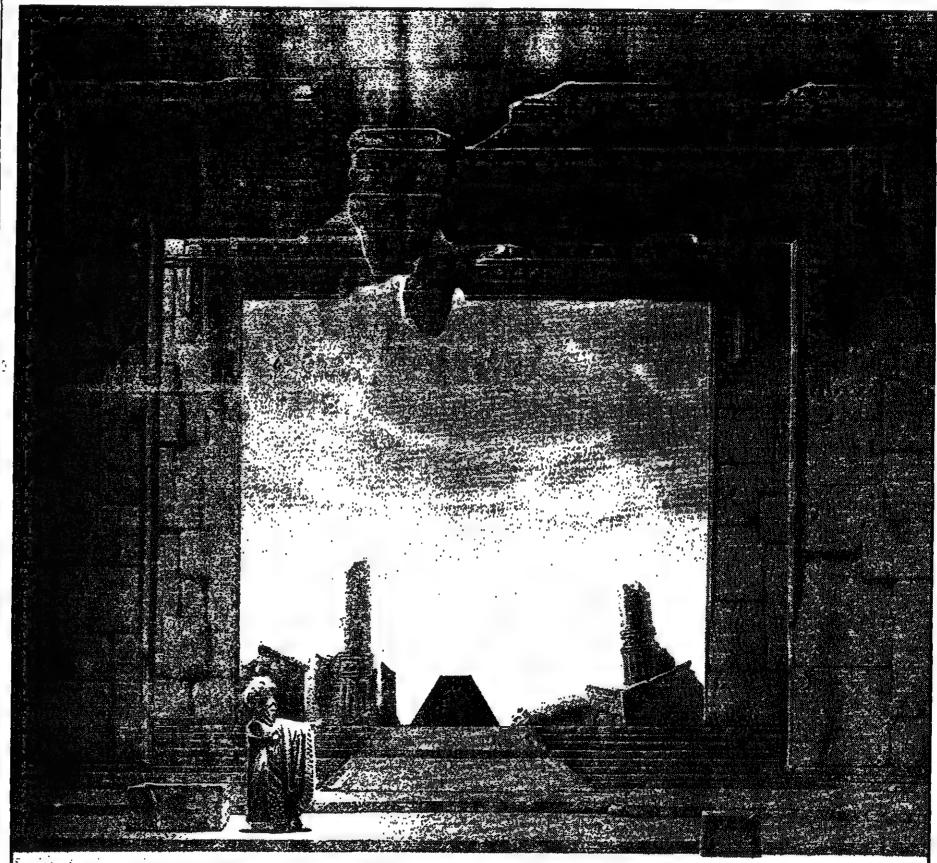
President Roh, one of the Chun when the army took will die with the passing of the power in 1979, had said it old year. would set a bad precedent in said he did not care where the with his family,

THE former South Korean disgraced former president president, Chun Doo Hwan, lived but there would be made a far from triumphant trouble if Mr Chan even return to his house in Seoul looked as if he were dabbling under heavy security yes-in politics. Mr Kim also said terday after two years of the apology Mr Chun gave internal exile at a remote before leaving Seoul had been

far from adequate. After Mr Chun left office in his return did not materialise. February 1988, several of his partly because most activist relatives were brought to trial on corruption charges and sentenced to jail, though they partly because nearly 3,000 have since been freed. No charges were brought against Mr Chun and he has never admitted to anything worse than failure to control his

He still denies that he grabbed power in a coup during the chaotic days after and President Roh is gambling on it, that with Mr Chun back generals who supported Mr in his house, interest in him

It may be that Mr Chun has, the treatment of former presi- as he claims, been changed by dents if the state kept the the rigours of two years of house. The opposition leader, prayer in a temple without Kim Dae Jung, who suffered running water or electricity under Mr Chun's strict rule, and that all he wants is to be



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# Less dogma, Happy Hogmanay to all beneath us more bite

Ronald Butt

n domestic politics, 1991 is likely to be distinguished from 1990 by the end of a decadelong attempt to refer all acts of government to a neat theory and a pre-packaged ideology. With Mrs Thatcher's resignation, we saw the last for some time to come of the political technique of replying to even the most open-minded question on some new issue by reference to the founding principle of her policies - as though that made further discussion irrelevant or heretical.

It was an attitude of mind that came increasingly to inhibit the government's inventiveness. Of course, dogma could never wholly overpower political expediency: when need demanded it, Mrs Thatcher could be highly pragmatic. Yet even when she was, orthodox theory was ritually recited, the effect being very like that produced by a fundamentalist who answers any complex contemporary question by a flat quotation from the Old Testament. Reasonable policies were thus made to look unreasonable. intellectual debate among Conservatives was inhibited and it became harder to find solutions to new problems, especially those such as the poll tax that were byproducts of attempts to implement the prevailing creed.

To point to the limitations of the doctrine that inspired Mrs. Thatcher's 11 years' rule is not to detract from its validity or achievements. Asserting the concept of the free market was the necessary response to a Labour party which, since its inception, had been motivated by a theory far more all-embracing and stultifying to liberty. A new Jerusalem in which the state was the governing trustee for Everyman was almost as much Labour's ultimate goal as that of the old Soviet Union, even though in Britain that goal was to be achieved by democratic parcured its spells in office only by forswearing much of its creed in practice, and at the price of an internal warfare that made it politically ineffective.

Labour has been forced by Mrs Thatcher's successful implementation of market theory to reform itself. But much more important was her challenge to the many corporatist assumptions which. having their roots in socialist theory, spread much more widely across the political spectrum. As well as making the unions accountable to effective law, she established market criteria for economic management and (in theory) imposed financial discipline on the public sector.

Her government's failures, to which there is still no clear answer. were the result of not thinking it necessary to devise an equally effective discipline for the private sector. Relying exclusively on interest rates (in obedience to theory), it first allowed a boom to run out of hand, and in correcting it has now brought dangerous recession. It was too booked on a simple "market" theory to be willing to seek new ways of interpreting it to meet new needs.

John Major's government now has the chance for more flexible and open-minded thinking about problems that cannot be solved simply by the application of freemarket theory in broad-brush form. A sign of a possible new approach was indicated by the announcement just before Christmas of the government's intention, in consumers' interests, to tighten legislation on credit marketing. This, possibly, could be the first step away from controlling credit only by price

and never by volume.

There are other questions to which the government ought to bring innovative thinking. Given its commitment to maintain the National Health Service in the state sector, how is it to find the money to run the service at a sufficiently high level? If the means cannot acceptably be found by higher taxation, would charges for some parts of the NHS, preferably linked to insurance, achieve greater consent? No less adventurous thinking is needed for creating a full system of independently managed but stateimanced schools.

The flaw in Mrs Thatcher's government latterly was not that the theory inspiring it was invalid (on the contrary) but that all theories are limited by the finite capacity of the human mind. Even the best of them can be made to carry too heavy a burden. The existing theory of the market does not automatically produce political answers to every social problem. Profound though the deas of Hayek and Friedman are, they are not static laws. They require development. If it is the business of the economists to try to discover and to state economic law, it is for the politicians to discover the form in which it can be put into practice.
For all her achievements in

changing social and political attitudes, Mrs Thatcher's attachment to a founding principle sometimes made her administration sound like government by slogan. That is not a luxury Mr Major can afford. As recession deepens and widens in 1991, the reality to be accepted is that it is the spirit and not the letter of a theory that matters. If the government works openmindedly and inventively on that principle as it crosses the threshold into a dangerous new year, it may yet achieve for the Conservative party its second political miracle since 1979.

#### ...and moreover

#### Matthew Parris

tions for ourselves only? Surely the people best placed to say how we might be improved are our friends, not ourseives. Over Christmas. have been demanding of all I meet, a list of their own proposals - for others. Here, then, are your New Year's resolutions, compiled by me. You will not leave your cut toenails in the bottom of the bath for others to encounter,

grating sickeningly between • You will not return spent matches to the matchbox, neatly stacked, to infuriate someone who, locating at last the matchbox, falls victim to a

practical joke. Before leaving the bathroom, you will check the soap for horrible curly hairs.

 You will never, never, never position yourself in the right hand lane at red traffic lights (allowing other cars to queue behind you), wait for the lights to turn green, then activate your "turning right" indicator.

 You will never again tug at the sleeve of someone trying to have a telephone conversation. to correct, interject, or question what he or she is saying.

 Lorry drivers, you will cease the practice of labouring uphill when following traffic cannot see to overtake, then accelerating rapidly downhill when the coast would have been clear.

 People from Milton Keynes: you will entirely abandon the subject of "the state of the M1 this morning" as a topic of conversation.

 The question "What are you doing on the evening of Tuesday week?" will be eschewed as below-the-belt. The purpose of the invitation will be made plain before date and venue are volunteered, allowing invitee to decide whether he wants to come, before venturing an opinion as to whether he is free. You will not misconstrue

"hot water on tap" as denoting a right to leave the hot water tap gushing down the unplugged basin for as long as you occupy the bathroom, just in case you

• When in a public telephone

hy is it that we make box with others waiting outside.

New Year's resolu- you will make your call with you will make your call with despatch and never embark upon a second, unless of the shortest duration.

• You will not subject your guests to undignified sniffings and lickings by your dog, nor suffer it to wave its hinder parts in your guest's face, with cries of "Oh do stop it, Lizzie." As Miles Kington has remarked, dogs can smell fear, but they cannot smell loathing.

 You will avoid pointless remarks of every kind. To the news that "they buried Joe today", "Well I never is he dead, then?" is not an acceptable rejoinder. "So how have things been going for you then?" is outlawed, as is every pleasantry commencing in "so" or

terminating in "then". Unopened jars of peanut butter, or bottles of milk. will be treated as inviolable until the opened jars and bottles are finished and discarded.

 At traffic lights you will in no circumstances obey the Highway Code's advice to wait in neutral with the handbrake on, spending the first five seconds on "green" disengaging the handbrake and engaging first gear. You will wait in gear, with your left foot on the clutch and your right poised to slide from brake to accelerator.

You will kiss, if you must,

noiselessly. "Mwah" is taboo. No appointment, no duty, no rush, however urgent, will justify you in grabbing a fresh roll of toilet paper from the shelf, and leaving a cardboard core of the old one fixed within its holder. as though I was the only person in the world who ever actually changed the rolls over and who do you think does it if you don't. eh, do you imagine little Martians come in during the night and discard the cardboard centres have you any idea what toilets would be like, especially this one, if people like me didn't change them over and how

toilet rolls and ...

Oooh, I just get so angry.

latest failure against Australia. would you like to push your way through cardboard duds and half-finished rolls knee-high and do you think I got an honours degree in law and moral sciences Major's political adviser. just to change other people's

Once the lunch plates are cleared away, the first cabinet rift may set in, for the timing of the gathering has caused a distressing

Teville Chamberlain lieutenant and to hold sway over a bizarre range of appointments from the Astronomer Royal to the Poet Laureate. She headed, as John Major heads now, a machine responsible for up to 50,000 public appointments on tribunals and

Scotland - more romantic, more

socialist, much better educated

In the late 16th century, when

only a tiny clite in England could

read and write, John Knox was

attempting to establish a school in

every Scottish parish. Today the

proportion of Scots children stay-

ing at school beyond 16 is 55 per

cent, and should reach 65 per cent

within the decade. England mus-

ters only 35 per cent. As a consequence the Scots have a far

higher proportion of their youth at

university and in other higher education. In the words of the

Scottish writer and critic Allan

Massie: "Education is still seen as

something that is not only de-

sirable, but a moral duty." And in

a relatively poor country, edu-

cation will always offer an escape

There grew, on such a basis, the tradition of the democratic intel-

lect, the concept of a broad edu-cation available to all. That the

present Lord Chancellor of England is the son of a Highland railway signalman is proof that the ideal is not entirely dead. That the

route from poverty.

and far less healthy.

Twice annually, more often in years when there are resignation honours lists as well as those for the New Year and Queen's Birthday, public worries about patronage are given an airing, and then shelved for another six months. Can there be "political" honours that do not taint the rest of the system? Should so much patronage, whatever the quality of the isers, sest ultimately in one pair. of hands? Should the prime minister have the power to alter through the honours system the balance of the House of Lords, a working section of our Parliament? And are the people rewarded those the public would wish to see

On that latter point I can offer essurance. A poll commissioned by the BBC from Public Attitude Surveys discovered that those ikouwht the most deserving d honours were charity workers, then "ordinary people" (anyone from dentists to dockers), followed by the armed forces and the police. Those thought least deserving were (1) politicians and party workers, (2) sports personalities. showbiz stars and journalists and

(3) civil servants and diplomats. According to the survey, people believed it was these last three groups which received the most honours. An analysis of last year's Birthday Honours shows, how ever, that "ordinary people" col-lected 37 per cent of the awards, the armed forces and the police 24 per cent, while charity workers were jointly third with civil servants on 13 per cent. Showbusiness and journalism between them netted a mere 4 per cent and

Lloyd George: £100,000 for a peerage, £10,000 a knighthood

cent. So those distributing the honours are more in tune with the public than the public imagines

them to be. There is, however, a problem with top honours. Analysis of the 964 peerages and knighthoods bestowed by the Queen on Mrs Thatcher's recommendation between 1979 and 1990 shows that one in three went to industrialists. one in ten to members of public

charity or voluntary workers. This underlines the most telling way today, a shepherd who risks his life to rescue a frozen climber will get a BEM, an advertising whizzkid who advises the prime minister on public relations skills collects a knighthood. The rules actually say that BEMs are for those who do not qualify "by rank" for other awards.

meat, cakes and biscuits, but much less on fruit and vegetables: the healthy-living message is struggling to cross the Tweed.

And it will come as no surprise to learn that we spend more on alcohol and tobacco, both of which contribute in large measure to our being one of the unhealthiest nations in the world. Scots males. at birth, have a lower life expectancy than those of any of 23 other West European and first-world countries. Only Irish women have a lower life expectancy than Scots

Our binge drinking, another facet of romanticism as well as a feature of all northern European races, kills us. The death rate in Scotland from alcohol-related disease is 8.86 per cent, compared with only 3.12 per cent in England. But lest anyone think us mean, statistics show that it is easier to get blood from a Scotsman (57 donations per 1,000 of population a year) than an Englishman (47 per thousand) - or from the people of almost any other nation, for that matter. A Scotsman in an accident feeling a wet leg prays that it is blood, and not a smashed halfbottle in his hip pocket.

We wish the English a guid new year, and apologise for the year just ending when the national village cricket championship was won by a team from Freuchie, in the Kingdom of Fife.

# Honours with scant profit

Alan Hamilton, brandishing his tartan and single malt,

explains why New Year's Eve is so special to the Scots

head of the Church of England, is a present prime minister is the son of is invested with such high hopes.

The member of the Church of a circus performer is merely proof it is obviously unrealistic to

that England is catching up. He has, incidentally, five Scots in his

cabinet, which must be a record.

are a nation of incurable roman-

tics, forever looking back to a past

which, we conveniently forget,

was largely inglorious. We like to

belong, whether to our clan or to

Glasgow - which on Saturdays, of

course, belongs to us - possibly due to some vestigial folk-mem-

ory of the feudal system in the

Highlands before the Clearances.

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the equal of his chieftain by

memory that bears on our com-

prehensive rejection of Thatcher-

ism, and the reduction of the Tory

power-base in Scotland to only ten

Like all romantics, we revel in

past disaster. Our two most universally recognised historical figures, Mary Queen of Scots and

Bonnie Prince Charlie, were both

notable failures. Romanticism is also the downfall of Scottish

international football; the Scottish

team is disastrous only because it

out of 71 parliamentary seats.

There is something in this folk-

belonging to the same clan.

For all the stern Calvinism, we

Robin Oakley, political editor, says

the system is basically sound: it's public opinion that needs changing

wrote to a friend in January 1918: "I wonder what you thought of the Honours List? I have never ceased to congratulate myself that I did not figure among that rabble." Asquith found compiling the list a task "as uncongenial and even hateful as can befall a man". And ex-chief whip Edward Heath was jaundiced about the system

our hundred and thirty years after the Reformation, the spirit of Calvin and Knox is

not entirely dead in Scotland, and there is still a lingering suspicion of anything, such as the celebration of the great Christian festivals, that

smacks of popery. As recently as

the 1960s, therefore, the birthday

of Christ was not even a public

holiday north of the border, and

many Church of Scotland clergy

continue to celebrate the event

only if it falls on the Sabbath. That

is why we Scots still save our

There is, however, far more

than theology that marks us as distinctive and different from our

southern neighbours, and from

our fellow Celts in Ireland. We are

more than mere North Britons, as

the late Georgians liked to patronise us before Walter Scott

and Queen Victoria jointly rescued our tourist trade by the

undiluted peddling of pure 100

national identity. The Treaty of Union in 1707, conducted with

much argument on trading and

horse-trading that would be in-

stantly recognised today in Brus-sels, left us with our own church,

law and education, as well as

opening up English and American

markets previously closed to us. We are, in short, more democratic

We have a powerful sense of

proof romanticism.

serious carousing for tonight.

Others have been less squea-mish. Nearly a quarter of Glad-stone's 4,000 letters to Queen Victoria were about honours. In 11 years, Mrs Thatcher gave knighthoods to almost 100 Tory MPs. And as I discovered from six months' work with producer Sheila Cook for a BBC Radio Four series on the power of patronage (beginning on Thursday), the honours system is only the public pinnacle of a vast army of posts and rewards in the gift of the prime minister of the day.

Through the government-making and reshuffles of three parliaments Mrs Thatcher made 635 ministeriai appointments, withou being bound to consult a soul. She had the final say in the appointment of hundreds of senior judges,

academics and bishops.
According to one Downing
Street insider, Robin Catford, her painstaking appointments sec-retary, probably had more influence than anyone else over the shape and character of the Church of England today. It is an interesting comment on the secrety of Whitehall's inner workings in such matters that when Mr Catford himself was rewarded with a CBE in Mrs Thatcher's resignation honours list, almost every newspaper got his christian

name wrong so little had he obtruded into the public domain. Mrs Thatcher was able to say ves or nav to the appointment of senior civil servants and lords

criticism of the honours system, that you are rewarded less for what you do than for who you are. In Victorian times prospective peers were expected to have an annual income of £5,000, prospective baronets £2,000. In the same

See what John Major makes of that in his progress to the classless society. Today's list is Mrs Thatcher's, not his. If you had wanted to start pushing someone for an award in the New Year Honours (and any one of us can make a recommendation to add to the 3,000 sifted down in Whitehall committees to some 700 each time), you should have started last

July. The Queen's Birthday list in the summer will be the first bearing Mr Major's mark.

The political honours which cause so much fuss comprise the 60 or 70 names added in Downing Street to those derived from Whitehall trawlings. They cause concern because they enable prime ministers to reward personal cronies and party backers as well as those performing true

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fter the days when Lloyd George sold honours at the going rate of £100,000 for a peerage, £40,000 for a baronetcy and £10,000 for a knighthood, the 1925 Honours (Prevention of Abuses) Act made it an offence to accept "any gift, money or valuable consideration as an inducement or reward for procuring the grant of a dignity or title of honour". Roy Hattersley, Paddy Ashdown and other opposition "Gontickens we litter viewed are sure there was abuse. The results of our research are less clearcut.

perrages and knighthoods recom-mended for businessmen by Mrs Thatcher went to those whose firms had contributed to the Conservative party or linked organisations. But you can argue, inversely, that almost 60 per cent of honoured companies had not given anything to Tory funds, and, further, that many of these honour. would have been awarded anyway for other good works. People can hardly be excluded from honours lists because their companies have given to the Conservatives. Tory officials would not be interviewed on the question and the case must rest at best as non-proven.

The Political Honours Scrutiny Committee of worthy but elderly privy councillors sitting in secret is an unsufficient safeguard. They are too close to those they judge. What matters is that the PAS survey showed nearly half the public believing that honours can be bought. That cannot be good for a system which otherwise is a scrupulously researched and comparatively cheap way of rewarding those who perform genuine public service or do ordinary jobs in an extraordinary way.

#### Guess who's coming to lunch

T ust as in Mrs Thatcher's time, gatherings at Chequers are becoming the most closely watched signs of who enjoys John Major's close confidence and friendship.

The prime minister and his family, abandoning their Hunting-don home, will have a quiet family celebration at Chequers tonight. be joined by members of Major's kitchen cabinet and his closest political friends. Seated at his right will be David Mellor, chief secretary to the Treasury. Richard Ryder, the chief whip, and Norman Lamont, the Chancellor. Some political pundits speculated that the door to the prime minister's official residences would now be closed to Jeffrey Archer. But he and his wife Mary will be there, after having the Majors to lunch yesterday at their Cambridgeshire home, not far from Huntingdon.

Robert Atkins, sports minister and one of Major's closest friends in the Commons, is making the short trip from his mother's home in Buckinghamshire. Like Major, he is an avid cricket fan, but will not want to cast gloom over the party by discussing England's

Sarah Hogg, the new head of the Number 10 policy unit, and her husband, Douglas, a Foreign Office minister of state, will be there. and so will Judith Chaplin,

conflict of loyalties. Atkins will join Major and Mellor, who are both lifelong Chelsea fans, in front ham versus Manchester United. For Mellor it will be a considerable sacrifice. "Chelsea are at home to Everton," he says. "There is no one but John Major for whom I would give up an afterpoon at Stamford Bridge

politicians and party workers 3 per

Archer, who accompanied Melfor to a Chelsea match earlier this month (they have not won since), says: "I cannot believe that any self-respecting Chelsea fans will be prepared to watch Tottenham Hotspur. If they do I and Norma will watch Little Dorritt on the other channel in the next room." Perhaps, but they will be back for half-time, which features a celebrity interview. The celebrity?

 No such discord for Mrs Thatcher and Sir Denis. They are staying with their old friend Lady Glover at her lakeside Freudenberg Schloss, in Switzerland, which far outshines Chequers in magnificence: 2,000 acres in which to stretch the legs, against Chequers 150. and 18 staff at the Thatchers' disposal, six more than will serve Major and guests.

#### Imperial echoes

n unlikely range of establishment bodies is lining up in defence of the Colony. the raffish Soho drinking club threatened with closure to make way for offices. The club, home from home at various times to Jeffrey Bernard, Tom Driberg, Francis Bacon, Lucien Freud and a new generation of up-andcoming artists, has been part of the Soho legend since it was opened by the late Muriel Belcher in 1948.

"We're going through murder," says Ian Board, who has held the lease since Belcher's death 11 years ago. "But we have got an enormous petition against closure. Everyone is being absolutely

The Soho Society has joined the campaign, along with the nearby Groucho Club, which shares many younger members with the Colony. The building is in a conservation area, and a sympathetic English Heritage is examining the building's 270-year-old history to

But the most crucial ally in the club's battle for survival would be Westminster council, whose planners will discuss the landlord's development application in the New Year. After a flood of protest letters, officials are taking legal advice to see if the council would have grounds for refusal.

#### Golden hoard

mysterious Briton who became Genghis Khan's chief Tartar invasion of Europe in 1241 is returning to his old stamping ground. For seven centuries the identity of the legendary tyrant's trusty lieutenant, known as "The

Englishman", remained a secret. In The Tanar Khan's Englishman, published in the 1970s. Times journalist Gabriel Ronay identified him as Father Robert de London. Now NHK, the Japanese Broadcasting Corporation, is using the book to retrace Father Robert's steps in a five-part TV series on the Mongol empire.

The production team had been relying on a hopelessly inadequate Japanese precis of the book for guidance on his travels across two continents. Eventually they tracked down an English-language copy in Australia and had it flown 10 Tokyo.

Ronay is bemused by the sudden interest in the book, which is being reprinted in Japan. But there's not much point in his watching the series. He does not speak a word of Japanese.

#### Flights of fancy

7 hat does Saudi Arabian airlines know about the future course of events in the Gulf that others do not? Its new ads feature a map illustrating its comprehensive route network covering 75 destinations world-wide. Under the headline Ahlan



Wasahlan, Arabic for welcome, it states: "A great deal of thought has gone into planning the Saudi network, with your needs upper-most in mind. The result is frequent flights with the best connections at convenient times." But how thoughtful was it to show flights to Kuwait City and Baghdad, hardly the most popular tourist spots in the present situation? "There has been a terrible mistake," a Saudia spokesman admitted. "We shall be flying to

Kuwait and Baghdad, God will-

#### Turn the other chic

ing but not just yet."

ne surprise omission from the recent crop of honours lists is Cynthia Crawford, who is credited with steering Mrs Thatcher away from fussy bows and frocks into "power dressing" outfits. Officially a Downing Street secretary, unofficially ladyin-waiting "Crawfie dear" accom-panied Mrs Thatcher on all her foreign trips and was one of only four people at her side when the result of the first leadership ballot was telephoned to the British embassy in Paris.

When the television cameras were set up in the Commons, it was she who persuaded Mrs Thatcher to switch to plainer clothes and to reserve black for special occasions. And although no longer in Downing Street, she is still doing the same job.

Tory MPs point out that in the resignation honours, an MBE went to designer Margaret King of Aquascutum - virtually Mrs Thatcher's sole outfitter since 1987. But, they say, much of the credit for that immaculate appearance must go to Crawfie, and they wonder why she has been left out

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## DALYELL'S DISSERVICE

President Bush's gut tells him that Saddam Hussein will withdraw from Kuwait before the January 15 UN deadline, or so the president has said to Time magazine. Whether he is right, however, depends on Saddam's own gut. If that tells him war is inevitable unless he withdraws, then withdraw he will, under whatever face-saving formula he can devise. If it tells him that the American-led alliance against him is wavering, he will be tempted to stay put.

The danger of war is real, but it will happen only if Saddam miscalculates. He easily could. The air is full of black propaganda and contradictory messages. That is the unfortunate context in which Tam Dalyell, the Labour MP for Linlithgow, has urged reservists to defy the call-up.

In these islands, Mr Dalyell is regarded as a more or less harmless eccentric with a lust for publicity, the kind of fellow newspapers use to stretch out a thin story on a holiday Sunday. But Baghdad will also have noted that the call-up had to be imposed by law, because insufficient members of the reserve have so far volunteered. The danger is that in the minds of the tyrant, these two pieces of information will be strung together as serious evidence of weakness of purpose among Saddam's enemies, so making war more likely.

Not too much weight can be given to the handful of those called up who have expressed their reservations. No doubt many were hoping that others would be more enthusiastic to serve than they. Those who are ex-army personnel may have joined as long as 22 years ago, when they are unlikely to have given much attention to the requirement to remain on the reserve into

Though the right of such conscripts to resume their civilian careers is protected by the Reserve Forces Act, and though the most progressive private companies have been quick to assure those who work for them that they will not lose by going, a residual concern for the careers they will be interrupting is inevitable. Many of those

being called up are medical rather than military men, motivated by nurturing rather than martial instincts. A peacetime army, full of fit young men, needs relatively few doctors; one going to war needs relatively many more. That compulsion has been found necessary is regrettable but wholly understandable; and it is most unlikely that they will pay much beed to Mr Dalyell.

The government has made it clear that those who would suffer grave hardship will be exempted. Archie Hamilton, the armed forces minister, has erred in tending to stress economic reasons for exemption. It would be intolerable if those who escaped their obligations did so because they were merely the richest of those called up, if the National Health surgeon went while his private counterpart stayed at home. The usual right to conscientious objection will be granted, with the right of appeal to a tribunal. Beyond that, intolerable hardship to family should be weighed, as should the quality of service which those involved are giving to the community in their present occupations.

in practice, those worst affected are likely to escape service. The rest will be doing their duty by Queen and country, by minimising the pain and loss of life if there is a conflict. Most of them will readily come to terms with that fact. Indeed, assuming that Saddam does not miscalculate, they will not need to come to terms with it for long. Because he encourages such miscalculation, Mr Dalyell, who purports to be their friend, is objectively their enemy. Some Conservative MPs are even suggesting that he should therefore be prosecuted for treason. That is absurd.

Britain's willingness to wage war in the Gulf is based not only on calculations of national interest, but on the conviction that the reversal of Saddam's aggression is necessary to protect civilised values. Those values include Mr Dalyell's right to voice his foolish opinions. A Baghdad Dalyell would be a dead one. To prosecute him would be to take a sledgehammer to a very British kind

#### **RATIONING SURGERY**

Christy Strachan, still less than a fortnight old, became the most famous baby in the kingdom last week. He was born with a heart deformity that was diagnosed as potentially fatal. London's Great Ormond Street pronounced him suitable for a transplant if a new heart could be found. Once that decision had been made public, events - a stakes and the odds. But the most important and the public perception of them - took on fact withheld from them, rightly as it cannot a momentum of their own. -

· Fed by the Great Ormond Street publicity. machine, newspapers and television were only too pleased to have such a moving human interest story at Christmas time. A donor heart was found after an international appeal, the ten-hour operation took place. and the nation prayed or held its breath. Sadly, Christy died soon after, and the nation mourned. A sorrowful Marc de Leval, the surgeon, said afterwards he was "sure it is right" for surgeons to continue with such transplants, and that they could learn from their failures as well as from their

Christy's tragic story, at Christmas of all times, is left in the public memory as a heroic effort to save the life of a sick child, all credit to everybody. But there is a debit side. These operations on very young babies are not very successful - only about 80 per cent survive a year. On a strict ethical basis of treatment being only for the patient's good, the fact that failure might lead to medical progress is irrelevant - or worse, if it implies experimenting on dying babies.

Even if this operation succeeded, Mr de Leval has stressed that a successful heart transplant for Christy would not have cured him. One expensive medical procedure would have been followed by several more in due course. While it may be taken for granted that Christy hardly suffered, as an older child facing a long medical struggle to survive he would surely have been bound to

do so. Mr de Leval says Great Ormond Street hospital lets such parents decide their babies' treatment for themselves "when

given all the facts". Most parents, no doubt after much mental torment, opt to let the baby die. But it is nonsense to say they are given all the facts - not all the facts can be known. If the baby lives, its future is quite uncertain. Such pioneer operations are gambles taken in ignorance both of the be their responsibility, is the effect on resources elsowhere in the National Health.

The proposition, as put to the parents, implies resources are unlimited, and not just at the moment but years hence. But this supposes, as many doctors are only too happy to suppose, that the supply of medical services will always be increased to meet whatever is the demand for them. Medical economists sometimes maintain that the ultimate demand for an unrationed health service is infinite and could in theory absorb the entire gross national product.

True or not, medical resources are all too finite, as lengthening hospital waiting lists and empty (because unmanned) wards make plain. Baby Christy's expensive and somewhat speculative treatment is inevitably linked to that of an old person waiting months in pain for a hip-operation. But the latter are never "given all the facts" and left to decide. They are told to join the queue. In the nature of the case, there will always be queues. Had Christy survived, he too would eventually be in a queue for further surgery.

Elaborate surgical intervention, such as a heart transplant on a 11-day old baby boy, raises deep questions of medical ethics. The Great Ormond Street team would do better to answer these themselves, rather than offload some of them onto distressed parents. Doctors need constant reminding of Clough's famous dictum: "Thou shalt not kill but need'st not strive/ Officiously to keep alive." And such intervention ought never to be considered without reference to economics. Medicine is about saving lives, but it is also about the agony of choice.

#### ENGLAND HALF EXPECTS...

"England collapse" was the traditional cry of cockney paper-sellers in old movies, a cheap shot for locating scenes in London, England is always collapsing, as Noel Coward might have said - but blessed is the nation that can collapse so heroically. Thrashed in the first innings, England follow on five hundred adrift - and then some Horatio-at-thebridge turns the match around, usually with an arm and a leg in plaster. Or used to.

Sometimes effete gentlemen batsmen, ravaged by demon Australians, left it all to the local hero from Lancashire. Picked for his shoulder muscles, he makes a last-wicket stand with his drinking pal equivalently configured, snatching victory with a string of sixes. The radio commentators choke on their chocolate cake while remembering much the same happening in 1886.

Or 1940. Dunkirk was the great Last Wicket Stand of all time, leading, a number of overs later, to victory. Graham Gooch should be invoking its spirit in the England dressing room this minute, except that he probably wore it out as his tail-enders marched to the crease and back at short

intervals on Saturday. Not a hanger-on-in-there among them, in the event. Dunkirk might not have happened. Russell fetched his skipper a mere 1, DeFreitas and Fraser walked back quacking Malcolm was still 99 away from his first test century, and Tufnell's batting average

remained unchanged. Meanwhile the judgment on England clicked rapidly from 147 for 5 to 150 all out. Even by England's standards the collapse was spectacular, and not a man among them to be hailed for his Boy's Own pluck. Someone had forgotten the script.

Cricket is essentially a paradigm of life rather than a sport, but it does not have to be the life of King Lear. The experts say the team is unbalanced, by which they mean Botham's successor has not yet been discovered in the bullrushes, and as a result after about six in the order things start to get even more wobbly than they are higher up.

Non-experts do not simply want another Botham. They want the Dilley to go with him, the duffer who helps the demon to save the day. England expects such Everyman strikers as Russell, DeFreitas, Fraser, Malcolm and Tufnell to do their duty, but only now and again, only at its hour of greatest need. The rest of the time they can but like

donkeys. The essence of English cricket (and English history) is fate confounded, a denouement to the drama which its representatives at the Melbourne cricket ground signally failed to pull off. Only by a threetwo victory in the series can they now redeem themselves and their country, and refresh the national stock of cliches.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Evidence on an 'Iraqi supergun'

From Mr Kenneth Warren, MP for Hastings and Rye (Conservative) Sir, Readers of your report (December 27) about the Select Committee on Trade and Industry's hearings on what has been called the "Iraqi supergun" should not believe that the committee is insensitive to the sterling service of our forces in the Gulf, or that there is reluctance to give evidence to the committee.

Ministers in the Department of Trade and Industry and the two principal industrial companies involved have both given us valuable evidence already and have agreed to co-operate fully in our hearings. As far as I am concerned. I start from a position of needing proof that the materials in question were destined for a weapon of war.

My perliamentary colleague, Sir Hal Miller, may not recognise the value of giving evidence personally and we cannot force a member of Parliament to appear before us. However, bearing in mind the very fine defence he put up in Parliament to help his constituents who found themselves involved in customs enquiries, I hope that he will recognise the value of telling us the precise warnings he gave to the Government two years ago and

what subsequent action he took.
Our hearings on this subject are flexible, and of course we are not so silly as to put our agenda before the cause of our forces. The export of weapons of any kind to Iraq was banned long before the invasion of Kuwait. I believe we have a duty to our men in the Gulf, as much as to Parliament, to assure them that the scrutiny system for exports to Iraq has not failed them.

Yours faithfully, CENNETH WARREN (Chairman, Select Committee on Trade and Industry), House of Commons. December 27.

#### Gulf 'disinformation'

From Mr Lionel Bloch Sir, As the UN deadline for Irag's withdrawal from Kuwait draws nearer, hardly a day passes without some official utterance or unofficial leak that comforts the beleaguered Saddam Hussein.

American commanders have been eading the field of moaners with pleas for more and more delays. If this is supposed to be disinformation, then its demoralising effect certainly outweighs any surprise attack benefit. On the other hand, if the Americans are really not ready, why, after nearly half a year, is the Pentagon unable to deliver?

"A soft public opinion — particu-larly in the US — encouraged by church leaders preaching appeasement is not better prepared for the tragedies of battle by anticipated lamentations. On the contrary. Yours faithfully.

LIONEL BLOCK December 28.

#### Legal aid fees From Mr Jan P. G. Southward

Sir, The Lord Chancellor has suegested that my profession lowers its fees in order to make legal services available to more people (report, December 7).
I wonder if the Lord Chancellor

could spare the time to come down to Salisbury to persuade my secretary that not only should she not look forward to a rise in the new year, she should take a cut in wages; that my landlord should give up his intention to double my rent in May next year and reduce it instead; that Salisbury District Council should reduce the business rate which I have to pay next year; and that others who supply goods and services to me should do likewise.

If he can succeed in all this I will happily reduce my fees to the private client and desist from considering cessation of all legallyaided work.

Yours faithfully, L.P.G. SOUTHWARD, Banham & Co (Solicitors), 28a The Cheese Market, Salisbury, Wiltshire.

#### Ring out, wild bells. . . From Mrs A. S. Price

Sir, I claim the first sighting of a portable telephone in use (for an outgoing call) at midnight Mass on-Christmas Eve at St Augustine's Church, Downs Barn, Milton Keynes. Yours faithfully, ANN PRICE.

Orchard Close, Yardley Gobion, Nr. Towcester, Northamptonshire. December 27.

#### Fisheries policy

From Mr David Porter, MP for Waveney (Conservative) Sir, Your editorial of December 19,

"Fishy business", gave a fair sum-mary of the failure of the regime of quotas and other measures which make up the common fisheries policy. You are right in saying that the government has to bite the bullet of an over-large fleet. I personally favour a method other than bankпирісу.

You may also be right that reduction of fishing effort will hit the Scottish fishing industry hard, but it should not be forgotten that English ports, including Lowestoft, have a good record on sticking to the rules, only to see themselves penalised because of poor enforcement and over-fishing.

What the government has to find is a policy on fishing to take to the escaped, which would suggest the Scarborough, North Yorkshire.

Pornography viewed as spur to crime A new face for debate on how we seek to control the availability of such material. From Mr Trevor Price

Yours faithfully,

T. PRICE (Director).

Moseley, Birmingham.

From Dr Gerald Silverman

Gracewell Clinic, 25-29 Park Road,

Sir, Your report (December 15, later

editions) of a senior police officer

doubting the need for a proven causal link between pornography

and crime, simply because he finds it "obvious", is depressing. Recent history is replete with police officers

preferring their intuitions to facts.

As a psychiatrist with specialist interest in sexual offenders I enquire

routinely about pornography, and

recall only one case in ten years

where this was at all contributory.

Serious sexual offenders usually pay

scant interest to pornography, and the current fuss over what is largely

mere bawdy amusement obscures

the actual cause of crime, something

which will only be illuminated by

open-minded studies of offenders

Yours faithfully.

in such conduct.

Yours faithfully,

PAUL FERRIS

citizen.

26 Rochampton Court, Queens Ride, SW13.

Yours faithfully, CLARE BRAKSPEAR,

Yours faithfully, DAVID SHEARLOCK,

Trum Cathedral Office.

From Subdeacon Paul Inglesby

Sir, Jonathan Clark reminds us that

the festival of Christmas has a pagan

base, although it was later adapted to serve the needs of orthodoxy

Once again under threat, mainly

from the new paganism of commerce, Christians should now return to the

traditional orthodox nativity date of

January 7 - i.e., December 25 old

reconcile the remorseless demands

of mammon with those of God.

The Old Calendar Church Society,

ing stance. For change to happen, the commitment of staff and

shareholders is vital; they both need

a sense of ownership in the enter-

and cost reductions in electricity

distribution in recent years without

any significant deterioration in cus-

attention will have to be given to

declarations published under titles

like "customer charter" and "envi-

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surely provide encouragement to the laggards. Eastern Electricity's advertisement was an excellent

Best practice in corporate gov-

ronmental statement".

example.

Yours faithfully

December 17.

RICHARD BING,

23 Burgh Street, N1.

Yours faithfully, PAUL INGLESBY (Secretary),

Orthodox Christian Centre,

7 Magdalene Street,

Glastonbury, Somerset.

21 Old Bridge Street,

Truro, Cornwall.

against Arianism.

December 23.

Pickwick Manor,

December 21.

Corsham, Wiltshire.

GERALD SILVERMAN,

112 Collingham Gardens, SW5,

man" would think it right to indulge

Worrall) suggested that the criminal

law was not concerned with moral

standards, Judge Rant replied: "It is

not a question of morals. It is a

question of sheer common sense".

This plain-man stuff is a dodgy basis

From Mrs Oswald Brakspear, JP

Sir, Most of us are sickened by many

of the sexual activities to which we

are not personally inclined; but that

such behaviour, between consenting

adults in private, however morally

reprehensible, should come within

the ambit of the criminal law

without reference to Parliament, is

cause for alarm to this law-abiding

wooden shed that was his temporary

cathedral here on Christmas Eve,

It was not-until 1918 that Eric

Milner-White, one of the most distinguished of this century's litur-

giologists, adapted Benson's service for use at King's.

for sending people to prison.

When the barrister (Miss Anna

Sir, Kenneth Baker is quite right in criticising the Home Office report on pornography as being "curiously inconclusive" (report and leading article. December 21), in that the report has again become stranded in the "cause and effect" debate and failed to address the issue of the use

As the only residential centre for the treatment of sex offenders we are daily made aware of how the sex offender uses pornography to sup-port his distorted thinking in "normalising" his abuse and as an aid in the "entrapment" of his

of pornography as a tool of the sex offender.

The machine gun may not be the "cause" of a psychopathic massacre, but its availability facilitates the act. Pornography may not be the "cause" of a sex offender's crime, but it is one of the prime tools he uses to justify and facilitate his vile

We need to extensively research the impact of pornography upon the sex offender before we conclude the

#### Sado-masochism case From Mr Paul Ferris

Sir, Your admirable leader today, "Pornography and prejudice", refers to the "sado-masochism" case (report, December 201 in which 15 homosexuals were punished for, by

and large, consenting acts in private.
You say that "the jury made a
subjective judgment" to criminalise
the defendants' activity. In fact no jury was involved, more's the pity: over the years, juries have shown more sense than the judiciary when it comes to sexual matters. It was Judge James Rant who, after hearing legal submissions from counsel, ruled that consent to the beatings and "torture" involved was no defence. Under those circumstances, the defendants were advised to plead guilty.

The judge was appalled that men would want to do such things for pleasure. So are most of us who don't share those tendencies. But that was nothing to do with making criminals of them. Judge Rant's frame of mind is suggested by one of his exchanges with counsel during pleas for mitigation. He found it "hard to accept that any mature

#### Religious disbelief From Mr P. Panayi

Sir, in the article by Jonathan Clark -("Innovation on a pagan base ...", December 22) St Nicholas was described as "the Turkish miracle worker", and "4th-century Turkish"

St Nicholas was a Greek bishop, of the Greek bishopric of Myra in the province of Lycia in Anatolia, at a time when the Turks were not even thought of.

Imagine describing the Pharaohs as Aireos because he lived in Sicily! Yours faithfully,

P. PANAYI (Managing Director), The Cambos Organisation, 20 Albert Square, Manchester 2. December 24.

From the Dean of Truro Sir, it would be wrong to conclude from Jonathan Clark's article that the Festival of Nine Lessons and

Carols was invented in 1918 at King's College, Cambridge. Your Cornish readers, at least, will welcome the reassurance that it was the first Bishop of Truro, Edward White Benson, later Archbishop of Canterbury, who put together the first such service, which was held in the

#### Electricity stakeholders From Mr Richard C. Bing

Sir, Electricity privatisation has much to commend it, but the crass, albeit effective, campaigns for the Freds and Sids have done little either to educate them about the acquisition of financial assets or the realities of the energy industry.

Each of the mass-marketed share

offers has brought forth complaints from would-be shareholders - inevitable, given the political imperative of making the issues a runaway success while paying insufficient attention to allocation arithmetic or the long-term requirements of wider share ownership.

While much needs attention in electricity supply, the new culture and discipline of being a pic will, over time, result in desirable changes. Mrs J. Patricia Evans (December 15) aimed at the wrong target on staff numbers. I commend Eastern Electricity for its innovative advertisement - it showed a refresh-

EC in which all parts of the British industry actually have some faith and are prepared to make work. Yours faithfully, DAVID PORTER, House of Commons. December 21.

#### From Mr R. S. S. Barningham Sir, Having read both your leading article of December 19 and Mr Gummer's reply (December 20), I should like, as a fisherman, to say that your leader presents a reason-

ably accurate portrayal of the present situation. Mr Gummer states that increasing the mesh size to 120mm makes no conservation or management sense, and mentions his success in 1986 in having minimum mesh size increased from 80mm to 90mm. In the trials he quoted, using 120mm mesh, only eight fish were caught;

his inference was that either the fish

conservation which he says is the only means of safeguarding the long-term interests of fishermen, or that there are very few fish left to catch, which lends even greater urgency to the need for conservation. The introduction of a tie-up of

vessels for eight consecutive days during each month (report, December 21) will not make one iota of difference to the amount of fish caught. The only difference will be to the social lives of the skippers and Mr Gummer omits to mention,

during his resume of his six years' involvement with the fisheries, that he has been operating a quota system. All that this has achieved is a dramatic decline in the fish stocks and consequently a drastically re-duced total allowable catch.

Yours faithfully, R. S. BARNINGHAM. 6 Cromwell Parade, South Cliff,

# London's streets

From Mr Courtenay Blackmore Sir, Your leading article of December 21, "London goes post-modern", is depressingly negative. Indeed, you follow precisely Sir Dudley Carleton who wrote, in 1617, that "the Queen is building somewhat at Greenwich, it is said to be a curious device of Inigo Jones".

Much is learned by good archi-tects from our traditions, but it would be fatal to revert to a traditional London streetscape for its own sake. Incidentally, much of the West End which you applaud is Regency, Victorian and Edwardian, designed by men who had no inhibitions about replacing the handiwork of their Georgian prede-

If London is to play its proper part as the commercial centre of Europe we must build to suit the users' needs. To this end, architects and occupiers must work closely to-gether. Both must strive to achieve excellence in design, and where excellence is achieved the most

appropriate style will evolve.

If our grandchildren are to flourish we do not want a "traditional" museum capital "in aspic", but rather one combining the best of the past with the best of a new age. Each decade will demand different types of building. Architects of men't will have the inspiration to help us find the most effective solutions to meet these needs, whatever they may be, May we therefore concentrate on

excellence of design, rather than squander energy in perpetuating the outmoded debate on the merits of different "isms". Yours faithfully, COURTENAY BLACKMORE (Chairman, Architecture Awards Trust),

61 Riverview Gardens, astelnau, SW13. December 21. From Mr Christopher Brereton Sir, Now that the scaffolding has been removed. Venturi's extension to the National Gallery in Trafalgar Square is revealed as an architec-

tural joke - a sophisticated joke, but a joke none the less. At the nearest end of the new building to the existing gallery a mass of pilasters are jumbled together, as if to say "look how hard I am trying to be well mannered to my neighbour!". The classical bits are then progressively more widely

spaced until, near the corner, a column stands weakly on its own.
Beyond this; the elevation to Pail Mall East is largely devoid of further classical allusions, apart from a few vestigial lengths of cornice and plinth moulding. The plain rectangular openings which form the entrances cut arbitrarily into the facade, unrelated to column bases,

plinths or anything else.

Architectural flippancy of this kind is surely inappropriate for a building of such a purpose and in what Prince Charles hoped for when the previous design was scrapped, after he had described it as a "monstrous carbuncle"?

Yours faithfully, J. C. BRERETON, 145 Wentworth Road, NW11. December 21.

#### style. It is manifestly impossible to Submarine fare From Mr John Albert

Sir, Sooner or later, presumably, the prime ministers of France and Great Britain, or perhaps the heads of state, will formally declare the Channel Tunnel to be open. How, on the day, should they mark this triumph of engineering and construction?

There is a long-established tradition of celebratory meals enjoyed on site. For example, a banquet lit by gas candelabra was held in the Rotherhithe Tunnel, below the Thames, shortly after construction prise in which they are key stake-There have been substantial staff started in 1825. In 1843, a few days before Nelson's statue was placed in position,a rumpsteak dinner for 14 was served on the top of the column tomer service, in future, even more in Trafalgar Square (London's Open-Air Statuary, Lord Edward Glei-chen, 1928); and in 1896 two thousand guests of the contractor sat customer care, to the environment and to energy efficiency, bettering the present, often minimalist, policy down to lunch in the workings of the almost completed Blackwall Tunnel in 1896 (Crossing London's River, John Pudney, 1972). If Britain and France were to

celebrate with a banquet held in mid-tunnel, beneath the sea, what dishes should be served? Yours faithfully, JOHN ALBERT,

Sherlocks, Balcombe Forest, Sussex.

#### Sour grapes? From Rear Admiral P. F. Grenier

Sir, I have had enough of so-called wine experts who appear to vie one with another with ridiculous descriptions of wine tastings. Who in their right imbibing mind

would rush out to buy wines seriously described as "... zesty. zingy, combination of chocolate and liquorice, dirty feet and leaves, nuts roasting on a bonfire . . . , and so on and on.

Let us expedite the mass deportation of wine critics and proceed quietly with our individual quaffing. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, FRANK GRENIER, Keyford, Upton Scudamore, Warminster, Wiltshire. December 19.

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#### COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM

December 30: Divine Service was held in Sandringham Church this morning.
The Bishop of Norwich preachd the sermon.

Mr Frederick Benefer was received by The Queen when Her Majesty decorated him with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver).

#### Birthdays today

Mr Douglas Anthony, CH, former Australian Deputy Prime Minister, 61; Mr Glanvill Benn, publisher, 85; Sir George Blunden, former deputy gov-ernor, Bank of England, 68; Mr Michael Bonaliack, golfer, 56: Sir George Christie, chairman, Glyndebourne Productions, 56; Mr Stephen Cleobury, organist, 42; Air Marshal Sir Patrick Dunn, 78; Major-General J.D.

Mr Roy Greenslade, editor, Daily Mirror, 44; Mr Jack Hargreaves, broadcaster, 79; Mr Anthony Hopkins, actor, 53; Sir James Howie, bacteriologist, 83: James Howie, bacteriologist, 8.3; Mr Ben Kingsley, actor, 47: Mr Sandy Marshall, former chair-man, Commercial Union Assur-ance, 66; Mr Peter May, former chairman, selection committee, TCCB, 61: Mr Nathan Milstein, violinist. 86: Dr Valerie Pearl, president, New Hall, Campresident, New Hall, Cambridge, 64; Mr Jean-Pierre Rives, rugby player, 38; Sir Joshua Rowley, Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk, 70; Sir John Sainty, Clerk of the Parliaments, 56.

#### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Charles Edward Stuart (Bonnie Prince Charlie), Rome, 1720; Giovanni Pascoli, poet, San Mauro di Romagna, 1855; Henri Matisse, painter, Le Cateau, France, 1869; George C. Marshall, general, statesman, formulated Marshall Aid, Nobel Peace laureate 1953, Uniontown, Pennsylvania, 1880.

Unamuno, philosopher and poet Salamanca, Spain, 1936; Sir Frank Benson, actormanager, London, 1939; Sir Malcolm Campbell, land and water speed record breaker, Reigate, Surrey, 1948.

Dom Aidan Bellenger has been appointed Head Master of Downside School from April 1991. Dom Aidan, presently a housemaster at Downside, will succeed Dom Philip Jebb (Head Master since 1980), who is to become Prior.

#### Forthcoming marriages

Mr A.P.N. Barnard and Miss A.J. Peet

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of the Rev Canon and Mrs A.N. Barnard, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, and Alison, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P.N.

The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Mr and Mrs Paul Blackburn, of Beare Green, Surrey, and Felicity, younger daughter of Mr Barry Jones and Professor Barry Jones and Professor Shella Jones, of Ramsdean,

Mr C.W.A. Cracroft-Eley and Miss MLE. Lole

The engagement is announced between William, only son of Mr and Mrs Robin Cracroft-Eley, of Hackthorn Hali, Lincoln, and Margaret, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Lole, of Hermitage Farm, Wadborough, Worcester.

Hy J. Einseland and Miss A. Gordon-Ball The engagement is announced between Jan, son of Hr P. Elmelund and the late Fru Elmelund, of Copenhagen, Denmark, and Amanda, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. A. Gordon-Hall, of

Dr S. Fletcher and De H.E. Moreson The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Brian Fletcher, of Coombe Dingle, Bristol, and Ruth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian B. Moreton, of

Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire. Mr D.W. Gibson and Miss M.T. Booth

The engagement is announced between David, son of the late Mr and Mrs J.L. Gibson, of Portscatho, Cornwall, and Marishelle, daughter of Mr and Mrs Donald Booth, of Ringwood, Hampshire.

Mr A.K. Glanville and Miss S.E.M. Watson The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs J.J. Glanville, of Plympton, Plymouth, and Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.G. Watson, of Eton College, and Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire.

DEATHS: John Flamsteed, first Astronomer Royal 1675-1719, London, 1719; Gustave Courbet, painter, La Tour-de Peilz, Switzerland, 1877; Miguel de

Downside School

# Mr J.W. Havers-Strong and Miss D.E. Mitchell

and Miss D.K. Mitchell
The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and
Mrs J.R. Havers-Strong, of Icklesham, Sussex, and Achany, Sutherland, and Dominique, daughter of Mr and Mrs G.R. Mitchell, of Tenterden, Kent. Mr ILM Blackburn and Miss F.A.S. Jone and Miss V.A. Jones
The engagement is announced The engagement is announced between Hamish James Lorimer, only son of Mr and Mrs Bruce Munro, of Stowe-by-Chartley, Stafford, and Victoria Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter B. Jones, of Upton-upon-Severn, Worcestershire.

Mr M.M. Princhard and Miss E.A. Newson The engagement is announced between Mark Meyrick, son of Dr and Mrs Charles Pritchard, of West Wittering, West Sussex, and Elizabeth Ann, younger daughter of Dr and Dr Robin Newson, of Nairobi, Kenya.

Mr D. Steele-Bodgar and Miss D.M. Brady Mr and Mrs Patrick F. Brady, of Newport Beach, California, and Regent's Park, London, are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Deirdre to Duncan, younger son of Mr and Mrs Micky Steele-Bodger, of Tamworth, Staffordshire.

#### Marriages

Mr C.E.L. McManus

and Miss C.C. Less The marriage took place on December 15, at St Mary's Catholic Church, Aspley Guise, Bedfordshire, between Mr Calum Edward Lois McManus and Miss Catherine Claire Lees.

Mr J. Mosesson

and Baruness Anna Ramsay
The marriage took piace on
Saturday, December 22, at the
Swedish Church, London, of Mr John Mosesson, eldest son of the late Mr Torsten Mosesson, and of Mrs Britz Mosesson, London, and Anna, youngest daughter of Baron John Bonde and the late Baroness Britz Bonde, Charleton, Fife.

#### Church news

Perrott, diocese of Bath and

The Rev Canon Campbell T Matthews, Rector. Wetheral to be also Rural Dean of and Warwick and Rural Dean of Bishop's Stortford, same Brampton, diocese of Carlisle; diocese.

10 be also Secretary of the Carlisle Diocesan Pastoral to Llanfaes, St David) and Committee, came diocese.

The Rev Paul M Rich, (attached to Unificiate, diocese of Carlisle, Carles diocese of Carlisle) and the Carlisle Diocesan Pastoral to Unificiate, diocese of Carlisle, diocese. Edmundsbury and Ipswich: to Guildford.

be Team Rector, Mildenhall The Rev Russell Martin, Vicar, St Peter, Penhill, diocese of Bristol: to be Rector, Haselbury Plucknett, Misterton and North Salford Mental Illness Unit, diocese of Manchester. The Rev John Pelley, Vicar, Standon, diocese of St Albans:

Carriste Diocesan rastoral to Liantaes, 31 David; and ficensed to officiate, diocese of The Rev Canon David S Swansca and Brecon: to be Meikle, Rector, St Matthew, Vicar, Crondall and Ewshot, All Ipswich, diocese of St Saints and St Mary, diocese of

#### Nature notes

GREY herons will not go far from their heronries, and this makes them very vulnerable in severe frost and snow. They seek out what running water is left, or go down to the seashore; they also extend their diet to include such small birds as they can snatch up. But many die of starvation in But many die of starvation in

hard winters. stout, brown herons, and spring, will also readily go more nomadic and solitary west or south in search of individuals, are appearing in southern reed beds. But they are hard to see: they stalk there are still battered flowers along slowly, and when they of Oxford ragwort, sometimes are alarmed, they stretch out with their yellow rays gone their long neck, point their and only the central disc. beak at the sky, and sway to remaining. Still standing high and fro with the motion of the are the dry, brown stalks of

Fieldfares and redwings wandering thrushes which are long spikes beneath it, and winter visitors to Britain - are prickles all the way up the flocking south; song-thrushes, stem. although they have estab-



Bitterns, which are small, lished their territories for the warmer weather.

> Where verges are green, teasel, with a large spiny cone on top, a guardian circle of

#### **OBITUARIES**

Michael Victor Penston,

#### MICHAEL PENSTON

astronomer, died on December 23 aged 47, after a long battle against intestinal cancer. He was born in London on February 17, 1943. PHYSICIST, cosmologist and observational astronomer. Michael Penston achieved his most speciacular success in 1983 when he became "the man who weighed a black hole". Stephen Hawking and Roger Penrose had shown that

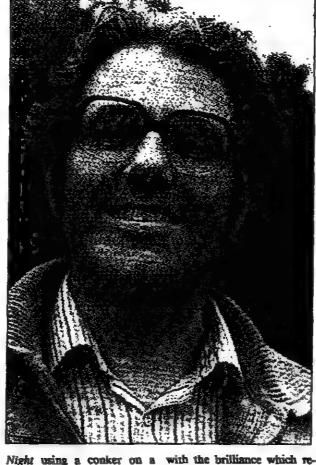
if we live in a universe of Einstein geometry, "black holes" must exist - objects whose mass is so concentrated as to prevent light being emitted. As such, they cannot be seen directly, but the effects which their intense gravitational pull sets up in their vicinities may be charmous. Donald Lynder-Bell and

Martin Rees had then suggested that if black holes existed as the nuclei of radio galaxies and quasars - the most luminous and distant objects known in the universe - the effects could produce the immense luminosities of these objects. Penston's triumph was to verify these predictions: and 1983 saw the culmination of a lengthy and elegant series of observations with the most powerful telescopes enabling the first direct estimate of the mass in the nucleus of the galaxy NGC4151, the nearest "mini quasar". Penston and colleagues showed that NGC4151 had as its nucleus an object of mass some thou-

The discovery was crucial in verifying that black holes exist and that they can provide the central powerhouses of quasars. With characteristic lucidity, Penston explained the principle of the measurements to the television audience of Patrick Moore's The Sky At

sand million times that of the

sun. It had to be a black hole.



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At the time of his death he was leading international teams to carry out the measurements on several other galaxies. Throughout his career he carried out seminal research on many other topics, including star formation and evolution, the interstellar and intergalactic medium, and quasars. He leaves behind an important literature of some 140 scientific papers and articles, and many former PhD students, now eminent astronomers, who will remember the generous diligence with which

they were supervised.

flected his intellect. He took a first at Trinity College, Cambridge, in mathematics, winning the Tyson Medal, and his D Phil in astronomy from the University of Sussex in 1969. His career was largely associated with the Royal Greenwich Observatory, which he joined as a junior research fellow in 1965, and where at the time of his death he was a senior principal scientific officer, able to pursue his own scientific interests and to lead international teams which he did with such dramatic effect up until two days before his death. Along with his posts at Pension's career was started the observatory, he held phen, and mother Cora.

visiting lecturer and reader at the University of Sussex and as senior visiting fellow at the Institute of Astronomy. Cambridge. He took leave of absence

university appointments as a

from the observatory as a Carnegie fellow at the Hale Observatories in California (1969-71), as a staff member of the Anglo-Australian Observatory. New South Wales (1976-77), and as IUE (International Ultraviolet Explorer) Observatory controller at the European Space Agency/ Vilspa tracking station, Madrid (1977-80), where he contributed enormously to the outstanding success of the international ultraviolet explorer satellite.

There was a vague appear ance of intellectual superiority about Michael Pension, justified in that he was quicker and cleverer than most, but instantly dispelled in conversation which was inevitably punctuated with bursts of laughter and intense probing questioning and curiosity. He was a boy at heart, full of irrepressible humour and enthusiasms, an ardent follower of grand prix motor racing and an intense adversary at chess; he took pride in competing as representative for three counties.

He was active in politics, a lifelong Liberal, working tire-lessly behind the scenes and as an active campaigner. His "mild eccentricities" were there to stimulate; if ever conversation flagged, Penston's socks restored it mismatched, and of psychedelic colours. Idealistic and without guile, frank and fearless in expressing his opinions, he was an intensely stimulat-ing colleague, a fine scient-ist, and a devoted family

He leaves his wife Margaret, sons Jeremy, Colin and Ste-

## THE RIGHT REV **GWILYM WILLIAMS**

Owen Williams, formerly Bishop of Bangor and Archbishop of Wales, died at Ysbyty Gwynedd, Bangor, on December 23, aged 77. He was born on March 23, 1913.

GWILYM Williams was a man of considerable intellectual ability, keen perception and wise judgment who exercised a significant influence particularly on issues as they affected Wales and the Church in Wales. He was widely regarded as an outstanding Christian leader. Williams was brought up in

the small Welsh village of Penisarwaun and educated at the local primary school and later at Brynrefail Grammar school. From there he went to Jesus College, Oxford, graduating with first class honours in English and in theology. He was awarded a Lambeth doctorate of divinity in 1957, and the University of Wales also conferred an honorary doctorate on him in 1985 in recognition of his distinguished services to Wales. He was made an honorary fellow of his old Oxford college in 1971. His first and only parochial

appointment was as assistant curate of Denbigh after which he became reader in theology and chaplain at St David's College, Lampeter, in 1940, and warden of the church hostel, Bangor, and warden of ordinands for Bangor and St Asaph in 1945. He was appointed a canon of Bangor cathedral in 1948 and in the same year he became warden and headmaster of Llandovery college, a position he beld until his election as Bishop of Bangor in 1957. He was elected Archbishop of Wales in 1971 and for 11 years he combined the offices of archbishop and diocesan bishop until his resignation on September 30, 1982.

As bishop of the most Welsh-speaking diocese in Wales for 25 years, he was

The Right Reverend Gwilym deeply committed to ensuring that the Church in Wales was a truly bi-lingual church, and he also played a notable part in the cultural life of Wales. In recognition of this, he was bonoured by the National Eisteddfod in 1957. He was particularly interested in Bardsey Island, an ancient centre of pilgrimage which occupies a unique place in the religious and cultural tradition of Wales, and was a founder member of the trust that now owns the island.

He is also remembered as a member of the small delegation which went to the then home secretary, William Whitelaw, to press the case for giving Wales its own Welsh language television channel (S4C). This was at the time a very contentious matter in Wales as Gwynfor Evans, the leading Welsh Nationalist, was threatening a fast to death over the issue. The wise and persuasive intervention of the archbishop and his colleagues on the deputation secured a change of heart on the part of the government and so defused a potentially explosive situation.

He was also chairman of a



joint committee which oversaw a new translation of the Bible into Welsh, a work completed to coincide with the 400th aniversary of the translation of the Bible into Welsh by Bishop William Morgan in 1588.

His 11 years as archbishop were of great significance for the Church in Wales. During this time the task of liturgical revision, initiated by his predecessors, was continued. And he patiently guided the governing body through the cumbersome and often tedious processes which eventhe Church in Wales's Book of Common Prayer. It was during this Archiepiscopate also that the governing body gave approval to the ordination of women as deacons, well before any other Anglican church in invited by the BBC to join Dr Robert the British Isles took that step. Probably the greatest dis-

1976, and he is survived by an

## ANDREW TIMOTHY

Andrew ("Tim") Timothy, a former BBC announcer, died on December 9 at the age of 78. He was born on November 30, 1912.

ANDREW Timothy was an announcer of the old school. His father was a parson in Merionethshire, and Tim initially followed in his footsteps. He was sent to Rugby, studied briefly (though with no great assiduity) at King's College London, and continued at St David's, Lampeter. He became a curate for a time in Hoxton. north London, and during the war he into France with the Parachute Regiment on D Day plus one.

His first marriage did not survive the war, and demobilisation therefore involved him in a double adjustment - to life outside the army and to life outside the church. He worked for a time for the Rank Organisation, and then, in 1948, auditioned for the BBC. He was offered a job as a temporary announcer and three months later joined the permanent staff.

Timothy's calm and resonant tones soon became familiar on both the Light Programme and the Home Service. He became associated with

the Goons, announcing the show and doing the warm-up, and when he moved on in 1953 to become a newsreader, he was sorry and so were they. "Our Tim", they said in valediction, "is the best talking monocle in the business." He did well at newsreading too, and on more than one level - the Daily Express said that he "made the news zing". The performance was, in fact, classically good - measured, authoritative and quite free both of false emphasis and dubious pronunciation. The man behind the voice did not

took themselves, and this sometimes got him into hot water. There was a famous occasion when Sir Anthony Eden was in the studio. Timothy's idly collusive wink to a producer was intercepted by Lady Eden and misinterpreted by the programme's editor. Tim's offence earned him a season in the Broadcasting House equivalent of the sait mines.

On another occasion, having spent a companionable bour or two in the BBC Club between bulletins, he took a good deal longer than the acheduled 15 minutes to read the Nine O'Clock News. Before he had finished the



press thought they might have a story. and the next morning he was marched in by John Snagge, then head of presentation, to give an account of himself to the controller of the Home Service. Tim's own account of this disciplinary occasion, lovingly refined over the years, has a place in the BBC's folk history. The controller was Andrew Stewart, an outwardly stern and Reithian Scot addicted to pipe smoking and lengthy silences. He

his work and in his domestic life; admonished him; secured an assurance that such a thing would never happen again. "Mind you," the controller is reputed to have said in conclusion, "you sounded very relaxed. I've never heard you read so well." Timothy became assistant head of presentation in 1959 and remained so. until he retired in 1973. In 1979, when his former colleague Alvar Lidell published an attack in The Listener on newsreading standards, Timothy was

catechised Tim about his happiness in

Donoghue in a monitoring exercise to establish whether the language was in fact being murdered or was simply entering a new phase. Like many announcers, Timothy did a lot of work for the Royal National Institute for the Blind, and he continued to read for them in retirement. He was a perceptive and wise man who kept a pastoral eye on old

friends and colleagues.
From the first of his three marriages he had a son, Christopher, widely known for the television role of James Herriot, and an adopted son, Jon. Andrew also leaves his widow, Brigid. only son, Fabian,

appointment of his life was the slow pace of progress in ecumenical affairs, a cause to which he was deeply committed. The failure of the Anglican-Methodist scheme greatly saddened him and despite the governing body's approval of the covenanting for unity proposals in 1974 he was disappointed that this has hitherto produced few tangible results. His wife Megan died in

# Services' half-yearly promotions

Royal Navy

The following provisional selections have been made for promotion to date 30 June 1991.

CAPTAIN: D J Thempson: N D V Robertson: C R Tuffley: S C Thomas di C F Maraliton a L Gay: L C Hopdina: D J Anthony: A J M COMMANDER: T H V Carri: A D
Evring: J C L Wotton: N M C
Commer. G F H Frence: D S Morris: B
P BOXALI-Hunt: R J Scarle: M W
Butcher: N J G Harland: P S C Steel:
P M Wardley; J N Ferguson: S C
Raptim: C L Politice; N A M Bottor: D
Learnes: D G Harbur: R J Matteryh.

COOPER OF WARDS A F WARDEN. S J CONMANDER: A F WARDS S J TIMMES N S SIMILE: C J Hylden: T J Helchinson: R L Duke: N L Williams: D D McKwar: S J Ellier: J S C Dedd. M L John: N G H Moneriey: R J John: N G H Moneriey: R J G N Bull: G Rankin: G J Thweller: D R Honley.

SUPPLY AND SECRETARIAT CAPTAIN: P C Wylcham-Martin.
COMMANDER A P Evin: P A Quinn:
G J Wordley: J Blackett: A A Ross. CAPTAIN. G Sulliven: A G Jones. COMMANDER. J G E Jacob: D W MEDICAL

SURGEON COMMANDER: D V LINE: C J Cabill: A S C Allison; A J Wather. DENTAL SUPPLIED COMMANDER (D) J. D.

SURGEON CAPTAIN: M Macleod.

ROYAL WATERING LIEUTENANT COLONEL: S P HIE; D MAJOR: M Y Cooke: R L Crawford: S J Cox I W Grant; R M Bowkett, A D F Hours. The undermentioned lieu-

tenants on the General List have

been selected for early promo-

tion to Lieutenant Commander and have been awarded addiand have occil as shown:
AWARD OF TWELVE MONTHS:
SENIORITY T M Karsten: G A
Mackey: M J Howe: B J Stanley-Whyle.

AWARD OF SIX MONTHS' SENIOR.

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M Pegg: D L Potts: K Winstanley: T F

McBarmet: N J Carbie; S J Chick: J A

J Da Carna: J M S FTy: J G Van

Barkel: A G Wills. I D Paley: D G

Steel. C Redatone: R J Harper.

The provisional Royal Navy and Royal Marines selections for promotion on the General List to date 31 December 1990

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CONDUCT DUTIES BRANCH

A M. Meac: I M. Josses: C Barter: D P. Hall: B R Nicole: M M O Darling: P M Charty: E A Hoston: A M Guttridge: D I Hethwrington: W N Browne: J D Sendiment: M O Geogory: M J Excope: G J Hethwrington: W N Browne: J D Geogory: M J Excope: G J Taylor: S C Ooctobil: A N Descey: M J System of J Taylor: S C Ooctobil: A N Descey: M J System of J Taylor: S C Ooctobil: A N Descey: M J Browne: K B Byron: A Bertington: W M Foffor: A T Hedley: P W Edwards: P D Kinaup; R C Burdes: C S Brakewoll: D A Jerney: G P Menoge: K E Quanting: I A M Brown Smill: B B Sacel: C C Taylor: P W Edwards: L P McQuade: M F Starperoon: K G Plummer: B W Quintin-Barrerois: K G Plummer: B W Quintin-Barrerois: K G Plummer: B W Guttin-Barrerois: K G Plummer: B W Guttin-Barrerois: K G Plummer: D T Morgan: D W D MacKay: R T Writitingham: C T Buxton: A T Gosling: T A Williams: G J Robert: A J Sadloor: G J Barreroi: S Wilson: C W D Goodwin; D K Fielcher: D A Humber: S J Green: M J Mercur: A Philips: J E Reanda: R P Bett: P O Lloyd: P A William: A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: S A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: S A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: S A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: S A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: S A J Dyde: P O Lloyd: P A William: S A J Dyde: M D Dyde:

GENERAL DUTTES (GROUND) WING COMMANDER TO GROUP CAPTAIN: E W Ward: A J Nordham: J R D Arscott.

FLICHT LIEUTENANT TO SQUAD-RON LEADER: W R TOOGOOD: J I GECTIKE C H EUR: J S Neel: O F WILL: M G CORRON: G B Chellengt, J Ashworze: F S Boornskie: J Cark, J M Cole; W Remail: A G McFindyes.

SUPPLY BRANCH

SQUADRON LEADER TO WINC COMMANDER: G S Moore: J M Henderson: R A V Bond: W McChalle: C R Bot; D B Common; D Forter: M S Mortis: D M Williams. FLIGHT LIEUTENANT TO SQUAD-ROW LEADER: D'Allen: R P Turley: P & Davidson WRAF: V H Ward: K Hambyn: P W Berry: M G Brewsley: A P Burpham: R C Williams: I R Rosseli: O L Lawe: D R Becon: K L O'Des: A G Glorie: L P Kettel: A R Begrati: R C Chel: S M Haston: D How: C J Brosser AUMINISTRATIVE STANCH

WING COMMANDER TO GROUP CAPTAIN: D K Wright; P L Greves: I A Smith; R J V Wilcox: A H Vaughen. A SHAIR HY WALCOLE HY WINDERS.

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E G Barlow; D H Anderson: J H

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K L Sheett WRAF. K L Sheril WRAF.

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City, reported by Mr Gustav Milne, of the Museum of London, in the latest issue of the London Archaeologist. The Late Saxon expansion of the riverfront and the survival of a grid of streets that still form the hostly outline of a Saxon burh or planted town - somewhat similar to the bastides of medieval France - has helped Mr Miles to solve the mystery of the origins of medieval London. It has long been known that Roman Londinium was abandoned during the Dark Ages, and a few years ago Professor Martin Biddle and Dr Alan Vince suggested independently that during the early Saxon period London had centred on the area west of the City along the Strand, where the name of the old vic or trading settlement

is preserved in the Aldwych At some point, however, the old city was clearly reoccupied, perhaps when King Alfred de-feated the Vikings late in the ainth century; Mr Milne points out that "significantly, all sites where pre-Norman Conquest riverfront embankments have been found lie between Queenhithe and Billingsgate". Billingsgate seems to have been the south-eastern limit of Al-fred's town, with the western end lying at Broken Wharf. The northern limit lay along

securer London By NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT THE ORIGINS of modern within the City, at least part of been occupied in the late ninth to early tenth century," Mr Milne says. "Although the street

pattern has been distorted with the addition of secondary and

tertiary lanes and alleys, the broad framework may still be On Mr Milne's calculations, The discovery is the result of King Alfred's London would have occupied an area a kilometre long and 300 metres wide, with a grid of up to 10 streets running north from the I hames, cut by fewer but longer streets running east-west. Since the area within the Roman walls may well have been farmland while Lundenwic flourished at the Aldwych, "the rectilinear pattern may well mirror the broad outlines of the middle Saxon field system on which the

town was superimposed." Mr Milne says. Although the whole area may have been laid out for settle-ment, it is possible that only a small part of it was actually occupied until late in the tenth century. Around the edge of the Alfredian town are the sites of a series of later medieval markets, including Cheapside, Poultry, Leadenhall, Billingsgate and St Paul's: some of these may have had Saxon origins.

The position of London Bridge is peripheral to the proposed location of Alfred's London, and Mr Milne suggests that it presumably felt more secure with ferries rather than with a fixed link to the southern shore. The bridge may therefore be a development of the tenth century: certainly there must have been a notable expansion. since "it now seems clear that early tenth-century London was significantly smaller than the lown which William the Conqueror seized." Mr Milne

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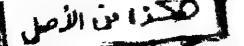
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Primate and Premier: Dr Robert Runcie, never in sympathy with Mrs Margaret Thatcher

**Adrian Hastings** 

# Runcie and Thatcher: So close and yet so far apart

MARGARET Thatcher wrote to Robert Runcie in July 1979 to invite him to become the 102nd Archbishop of Canterbury. She had been Prime Minister for two months. In November of this year she left office and he will do so just two months later, at the end of January. Seldom, if ever, have a premiership and an archiepiscopate so nearly coincided.

Throughout his eleven years of office Dr Runcie has provided the ecclesiastical leadership for a Britain whose immediate character was being emphatically reshaped according to the philosophy of a Prime Minister with which he was never in sympathy.

Yet they had much in common. Both were children of lower middle class background who found their way, via scholarships and good grammar schools, to Oxford in wartime. Dr Runcie first went there as a communist. He had learnt communism from his classics master at school and enjoyed attending meetings held by Harry Pollitt in the Giler. When he returned after the war and distinguished service as an officer in the Scots Guards he had become instead, a Tory. He was even, for a while, college representative for the Conservative Association until more commit— to leading the opposition, and that sees ted souls, including Margaret Roberts over the British Nationality Bill in 1981. herself, then at Somerville, found him; unreliable and he was replaced.

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It is not surprising. Politics was never ever, he insists, a primary interest. From 'Christian socialist", as he had thought himself already at school, to wet Tory, the substance of his views about a caring society probably changed rather little. It was an increasingly unideological and unpartisan commitment to the improvement of the common good.

Dr Runcie is not one for great schemes. He does not much believe in liberating ideologies or creative structural revolutions, whether in church or state, only in the long grind suggested by that line of William Blake he is fond of quoting: "He who would do good must do it by minute particulars". Certainly in 1980 when, after 10 years as Bishop of St Albans, he was enthroned at Canterbury, he must have appeared one of the least politically minded of bishops.

Unlike his predecessors he was not chosen by the Prime Minister. Coggan was chosen by Wilson, Ramsey by Macmillan, but since 1977 a Crown Appointments Commission, including bishops, clergy and laity, has been established to recommend a suitable name. For an archbishop it has an ad hoc lay chairman (in 1979 Sir Richard O'Brien). The commission proposed Dr Runcie and Mrs Thatcher agreed. So, from the start, he presented a slightly less

Erastian pattern of things and the martyrdom of Archbishop Oscar Romero in San Salvador the very day before his enthronement, (photographs of the two appeared together in The Times) certainly suggested that archbishops these days, just as in the twelfth century, could well be at loggerheads with the

Dr Runcie, nevertheless, is not a person who likes to work through conflict. Consensus may not be a virtue for Mrs Thatcher but for the archbishop it always has been. A realist, he has never wanted to get involved in dog fights with the Government, though that is how at times the media have tended to depict him. In fact, his outstanding ability to adapt to circumstance, the quality of the chameleon which has often been noted and even attacked, has made him less antipathetic to current policy than some more outspoken clerical critics of Thatcherism.

Viscount Whitelaw was his commanding officer in the Guards. From 1983 he was Leader of the House of Lords and the political relationship was not unaffected by this and other friendships Dr Runcie was continually accumulating Only once did the archbishop come near He attacked it sharply, in the name of all the churches and voted against it even at the innid reading on a final amendment. He certainly did not regret doing this; nevertheless his own judgement probably told him that confrontation avails little and he never did it again.

It was the Faith in the City report. produced by a commission set up by the Archbishop with Sir Richard O'Brien as chairman, which Conservative criticism he experienced. Its function was to examine the problems of the inner city in the light of the Brixton riots and suggest what church and state might do. Downing Street was said to have informed the press that a cabinet minister had called it a "Marxist document". Of course it was not, but on publication the archbishop had to spend an hour explaining that it was not. Lord Scarman later called it "a classic description of one of the most serious

troubles in British society". The Government attempt to rubbish it, even before it had been read, did the report and the archbishop little harm. In fact, its recommendations were mostly directed to the church, their implementation has been of undoubted benefit, while even Mrs Thatcher's expression of concern for the inner city in the 1987 election may have owed something to Dr Runcie's report. Yet here, as over the archbishop's Falklands sermon at the St Paul's thanksgiving service, a general sense of unease between him and the Prime Minister emerged.

Dr Runcie could well be claimed an ideal primate for a Thatcherite society. While he never saw his role primarily as critic, he has steadily endeavoured to stress those aspects of social morality which the Prime Minister has cared about least, "There is no such thing as society" she was famed for declaring. He could never have said that and at the end of his ministry still likes to think of himself privately as the Christian socialist of his youth. The genuine tension in their relationship derived especially from the very sincerity of her commitment to Christianity. She was as sure about this as about everything else; a rather privatised religion, but something of great importance as far as it goes.

In style they are as different as in content. For him the acceptance of uncertainty, the two sides of every question, compromise and humour are all important; for her a snare lies in every one of them. They are the qualities of a liberal. Despite this they have in fact cooperated continually and without difficuity. The archbishop has found her extremely accessible, perhaps just because of her preoccupation to let nothing go. The appointment to even the least of hishoprics has still mattered. Anxious to secure the appointment of the right kind of Christian, she would not leave the Crown Appointments Commission to do its work without vetting, though never exceeding her constitu-

tional powers. It would be interesting to study the relationship of various archbishops and prime ministers, of Ramsey with Wilson, Temple with Churchill, Lang with Baldwin. But perhaps the relationship of none has been more subtle than that between Runcie and Thatcher: so near and yet so far. At the bottom of it rests a basic otherness of viewpoint. For her what mattered most was the encourage-ment of the successful. For him, as he remarked in an address to the crossbench peers: "The church has a special concern to speak ... for all those who are at the bottom of the beap".

While neither wished to accentuate the conflict, some of her camp followers, at least in the middle years of her premiership, rather liked to do so. That this was the case Dr Runcie accepted stoically enough. In the age of Oscar Romero he could afford to smile at an archiepiscopal fate no crueller than this. Robert Ruscie, by Adrian Hastings, professor of theology at Leeds University, will be published by Mowbray on January

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CITY CHURCHES DESTROYED: EXAMPLES OF WREN'S FINEST WORK

All eight of the City churches which were destroyed by fire or severely damaged in Sunday night's raid were the work of Sir Christopher Wren, and included examples of his finest architecture. They had many historical and beloved associated the control of the co ations, and with one exception were built on the sites of ancient churches that periahed in the Great Fire. By fire they

have perished again. St. Lawrence Jewry, in Gresham Street, by Guikhall, was the church of the Corporation of London, and on certain cor-porate occasions its services were attended by the Lord Mayor. It possessed several intimate links with the Empire, and the flags of Canada, South Africa, and New Zealand hung above special pews set apart for visitors from those countries. GRINLING GIBBONS CARVING

In 1938 Lord Bledisloe and Lord Kilbracken jointly pre-sented to the church on behalf of New Zealand a silver cande sented to the cource on benau of New Zemann a saver cande-labrum, originally the gift of the Provincial Government of Canterbury, New Zealand, to John Robert Godley, founder of the first settlement and their first Agent-General in England. The church was one of the most costly of Wren's and was among the first to be erected after the Fire of London. It possessed some of the best carving of Grinling Gibbons, and its vestry, richly panelled in oak, was famous. Its high tower contained a peal of eight fine bells.

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The church derived its name from the fact that in early times the district was largely inhabited by Jews, and in unveiling the South African flag three years ago Lord Clarandon commented on the light that had been sounded. endon commented on the link that had been forged between a church where in former days the Jewish people fled for refuge and a Dominion where today they found freedom and scope and rest from persecution. As early as the reign of Henry VIII

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Wren exceed the church on its old site in 1577, and throughout the interior retained a correct idea of the architect's scheme of window lighting. Most of the windows were of plain glass. They were shattered in the first Zeppelin raid over the City in 1915. The church was restored and re-

The list of churches destroyed by the latest of the enemy's act of vandalism may not be complete. It will be recalled that many other City churches were damaged in previous raids, though in most the damage was confined to shattered win-

has also suffered dan been even more severe but for the prompt action of men sta-tioned on roofs, who tackled incendiaries with buckets of

lectures were delivered at St. Lawrence by prominent laymen; Dr Tillotson and Richard Baxter figure among the many ele-quent divines who have preached there.

St. Bride's, Pleet Street, has been of late years the journal-St. Bride's, Pleet Street, has been of late years the journalists' church and as such was dear to newspaper men throughout the Empire. Its graceful tower and spire, standing 226 ft. high—the highest in the City—were numbered among Wren's masterpiecas; this 'medrigal in stone' as Henley called it, was damaged by a great thunderstown in 1764 and lowered by 8 ft. Wren rebuilt the church in 1680, but the original building goes back to before 1291.

The church of St. Many-the-Virgin, Aldermanbury, was more conspicuous than many others in the City because of its spacious churchyard, in which stands a monument of unsusual interest erected to John Hemmings and Henry Condell, who were fellow actors with Shakaspears. Both lived in the parish and were buried there. Another link with the past was the

and were buried there. Another link with the nest was the marriage at St. Mary's of the poet Milton with Katherine Woodcock, his second wife, in 1656.

decorated, and celebrated its 250th anniversary in 1927, a fine memorial chapel having been exected to the memory of those from the united parishes of St. Mary and St. Alphage, who fell in the Great War.

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2 Alexander William Kinglake

historian of the Crimean war, died London, 1891. 3 Jeremiah Horrocks, astronomer, died Lancs, 1641. 4 Charles Keene, humorous artist, died London, 1891, Henri Bergson, French philosopher,

died Paris, 1941. 5 Amy Johnson, aviator, lost over the Thames estuary, 1941. 8 Robert Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, died Nyeri, Kenya, 1941. 11 Baron Georges-Eugène Haussmann, moderniser and designer of Paris 1852-70, died

Paris, 1891. 13 George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends, died London, 1691. James Joyce, poet and novelist, died Zurich, 1941. 14 Benedict Amold, American (later British) general, born Norwich, Connecticut, 1741. 17 George Bancroft, American historian, died Washington, 1891. 18 Emmanuel Chabrier, French composer, born Ambert, central

composer, born Ambert, central France, 1841.
24 Caigula, Roman emperor AD37-41, died Rome, AD41.
25 George Augustus Selwyn, wit and politician, died London, 1791. John Arbuthnot Fisher, at Bears Ester, Admirel of the 1st Baron Fisher, Admiral of the Fleet, born Ceylon, 1841. 26 Nickolaus Otto, German pioneer of the internal combustion engine, died Cologne, 1891. 28 Fendinand Herold, French composer, born Paris, 1791. 30 Charles Bradlaugh, freethinker and politician, died London, 31 Ernest Meissonier, Franch painter, died Paris, 1891.



Amy Johnson: lost in 1941

FEBRUARY

5 A.B. "Banjo" Paterson, Australian folk poet, died 1941. 8 Il Guercino, Italian painter, born Cento, 1591. André-Ernst-Modeste Gretry, Flemish composer, born Liège, 1741. 9 Ronald Colmen, actor, born Richmond, Surrey, 1891. Johan Barthold Jongkind, Dutch painter, died France, 1891. 10 Henry Hart Milman, poet, dean of St Paul's, born London, 1791. 12 Windham Thomas Quin, 4th

Earl of Dunraven and Mount-Earl, Irish politician, born Adare, Co. Limerick, 1841. Charles Francis Voysey, architect, died Winchester, 1941. 13 Johann Joseph Fux, Austrian composer, died Vienna, 1741.

14 William Tecumsen Sherman. 14 William Tecumsen Sherman, American civil war Union general, died New York, 1891. 16 Léo Delibes, French composer, died Paris, 1891. 19 Sir Hamilton Harty, Irish composer and conductor, died Hove, 1941. 20 Karl Czerny, Austrian pianist, teacher and composer, born Vienna, 1791. 21 Jethro Tuli, agricultural writer, died Hungerford, 1741. 25 Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Franch peinter, born Limoges,

26 Evelyn Baring, 1st Earl of Cromer, statesman and diplomat, born Cromer, Norfolk, 1841. 27 Edward Cave, printer, born Newton, Warwicks, 1691. George Migot, French composer, born Paris, 1891. 28 Afronso XIII, Spanish king 1886-1931, died Rome, 1941. 29 John Bryom, poet, born Broughton, Lancs, 1691.

#### Constitution in the

2 John Wesley, evangelist and leader of Methodism, died London.

1791.

9 More than 60 people perished and 12 ships were lost in storms lasting until March 13 which swept southern England, 1891.

13 Tom Mann, trade unionist, founder member of the British Communist Party, died Grassington, Yorks, 1941.
14 First submarine telephone lines laid across the English Channel, 1891. 17 Jean-Baptiste Rousseeu, French playwright and poet, died Brusseis, 1741. 20 Jean-Antoine Houdon,

French sculptor, born Versailles 1741. Laurence Barrett, American actor, died New York,

28 Virginia Woolf, novellst and critic, committed suicide, Rodmell, Sussex, 1941. 29 Georges Seurat, French painter, died Parts, 1891.

# APRILLY 7

2 Max Ernst, German painter and sculptor, born Brütt, 1891. 6 Domenichino, Italian painter, died Naplea, 1641. 7 Phineas Taylor Barnum, American showman, died Bridgeport, Connecticut, 1891. 11 Second world war: biltz on Coventry, 1941. 17 Johann Gottlieb Naumann, German composer, born Blasewitz,

1741. 19 Richard Price, nonconformat minister and writer, died London, 1791. 21 Henri-Michel-Antoine Chapu, French sculptor, died Paris, 1891. 23 James Buchanan, 15th president of the USA 1857-61, born Cove Gap, Pennsylvania, 1791. 24 Helmuth von Motike, German soldier, died Berlin, 1891.



Channel crossing: an illustration commemorating "Speaking to Paris from London at the completion of the Anglo-French Telephone". The first submarine telephone lines were laid across the English Channel on Saturday, March 14, 1891 and opened on April 1. The Times said that "the commercial success of the enterprise is, we understand, already assured"

25 Pauline Lucca, Austrian soprano, born Vienna, 1841. 27 Samuel Morse, American pioneer of electric telegraphy and inventor of the code bearing his name, born Massachusetts, 1791.

#### † The London Library was opened, 1841. 3 Barry Sullivan, actor, died

7 Thomas Barnes, editor of The Times 1817-41, died London, 1841. 9 Helena Petrovna Blavatsky, Russian spiritualist, co-founder of the Theosophical Society, died London, 1891.

10 Second world war: Rudolf-Hess, Hitter's deputy, landed by aircraft near Glasgow, 1941.

11 Thomas Wentworth, 1st Earl

London, 1641. 12 Francis Grose, entiquery.

died Dublin, 1791. 14 Tippoo of Mysore defeated at Seringapatam by Lord Comwalls, 1791. Sir Squire Bancroft, actor-manager, born 15 Edwin Longaden Long, painter, died London, 1891. Mikhail pairier, ded Lordon, 1691. www.fail Bulgakov, Russian playwright and novelist, born Klev, 1891. 20 Joseph Bianco White, theologian, died Liverpool, 1841. 23 Pär Lagerkvist, Swedish poet, playwright and novelist, 1941 Nobel laureste, born Växjö,

24 Second world war: HMS Hood sunk by Bismarck off Greenland, 1941. 27 Second world war: Blamarck sunk by Royal Navy off Brest,

composer, born Motta di Livenza, 1741. Giovanni Sgambati, Italian pianist and composer, born Rome, 1841. 28 Andrea Lucchesi, Imilan

#### A MINE

1 Sir David Wilkie, peinter, died at sea off Gibraltar, 1841. Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain founded, 1841. Sir Hugh Walpole, novelist, died near Keswick, 1941. 4 Wilhelm II, German emperor 1888-1919, died Doorn, The Netherlands, 1941. 6 Sir John Alexander Macdonaid, first prime minister of Canada 1867-73, 1878-91, died

Ottawa, 1891.
9 John Howard Payne,
American playwright and actor,
born New York, 1791.
17 Setina Hastings, Countess of
Huntingdon, Methodist, died London, 1791.

22 Second world war: Germany invaded Russia, 1941. 26 Francisco Pizarro, Spanish 26 Francisco Pizarro, Spanish conqueror of the Inca empire, murdered Lima, Peru, 1541.
27 Michiel van Mierevelt, Dutch portrait painter, died Delit, 1641.
28 Henry VIII, king of England 1509-47, born Greenwich, 1491.

journalist, explorer and politician, born Denbigh, 1841. Ignacy Paderewski, Polish pianist, prime minister of Poland 1919, died New York, 1941. 30 Sir Stanley Spencer, painter, born Cookham, Berks, 1891.

#### JULY:

5 The first excursion by train; 6 The first excursion by train; organised by Thomas Cook, it ran between Leicester and Loughborough, 1841.
7 Thomas Blacklock, poet, died Edinburgh, 1791.
10 Pedro Antonio de Alarcón y Ariza, Spanish writer, died Valdemoro, 1891.
11 Sir Arthur Evans. 11 Sir Arthur Evana, archaeologist, died Youlbury, Oxford, 1941. 17 Punch first published, 1841. 27 Mikhail Lermontov, Russian poet and novelist, died Pyatigorsk, 1841. 26 Antonio Vivaldi, Italian

composer, died Vienna, 1741. 31 Jacob Handi, Slovenian composer, died Prague, 1591.

#### AUGUST

2 Sir Arthur Bliss, composer, Muster of the Queen's Musich 1953-75, born London, 1891. 3 Leslie Henson, actor, born London, 1891. 4 William Henry Hudson, naturalist and writer, born Quilmes, Amenting, 1841. Argentina, 1841.
6 Henry Litoff, French pianist and composer, died Bois-le-Combes, 1891. William Joseph Slim, 1st Viscount Slim, field marshal, governor-general of Australia 1953-60, born 1891. 7 Sir Rabindranath Tagore, Indian writer, 1913 Nobel laureate died Calcutta, 1941. 11 Winston Churchill and Franklin D. Boosevelt signed the Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Atlantic Charter, 1941. 12 James Russell Lowell, American poet, critic and diplomat, died Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1891 14 Johann Friedrich Herbart, German philosopher, died Göttingen, 1841. 17 Richard Lalor Shell, playwright and politician, born Drumdowney, Co. Kilkenny,

22 Jean-François de Galaup La Pérouse, Franch explorer, born Albi, 1741. Jacques Lipchitz, Russian/French sculptor, born Druskininkai, 1891. 24 Theodore Edward Hook, playwright and novelist, died London, 1841, Robert Herrick, poet, born London, 1591.

#### SEPTEMBER

4 Albert Joseph Moore, painter, born York, 1841. 5 Giacomo Meyerbeer, German composer, born Berlin, 1791. 7 Henri Desmarets, French composer, died Lorraina, 1741. 8 Antonín Dvořák, Czech composer, born Nelshozeves

9 William Theed, sculptor, died London, 1891. London, 1891.

11 Arthur Young, egriculturist, born London, 1741.
13 William Henry West Betty, the "Young Roscius", actor, born Shrewsbury, 1791.
21 London-Brighton railway opened, 1841.
22 Michael Faraday, natural philoscopher, born Surney, 1791. philosopher, born Surrey, 1791. 23 Theodor Körner, German poet, born Dresden, 1791. 24 Paraceisus, German physician and alchemist, died Salzburg, 1541. 26 Théodore Géricault, French painter, born Rouen, 1791. 27 Ivan Aleksandrovich Goncharov, Russian novelist, died Leningrad, 1891. 28 Georges Clemenceau, premier of France 1917-20, born Mouilleron-en-Pareds, 1841. Herman Melville, American Pareds, 1891. 30 Georges Boulanger, French general and statesman, died Brussels, 1891.

4 Edmund Malone, critic and author, born Dublin, 1741. 6 Charles Stewart Pernell, Irish leader of the Home Rule Party, died Brighton, 1891. William Henry Smith, statesman, died Walmer Castla, Kent, 1891. 11 James Barry, painter, born 1741. 20 Sir James Chadwick,

physicist, 1935 Nobel laureate, physicist, 1935 Nobel laureaus, born Manchester, 1891. 28 Francesco Mortecchi, Italian composer and conductor, died linisbruck, 1841. 29 Fanny Brice, singer and comedienne, born New York, 1891. 30 Angelica Kauffmann, historical and portrait painter, born Coire, Switzerland, 1741.

#### NOVEMBER

4 Miroslav Krejči, Czech composer, born Rychnov nad Kněznou, 1891. 8 Teofilo Folengo, Italian poet, born Mantua, 1491. 9 Edward Vil, reigned 1901-1910, born Buckingham Palace, 1841. 10 Arthur Rimbaud, French poet, died Marseille, 1891. 11 Johann Kasper Lavater,

Swiss writer, born Zurich, 1741. 13 Second world war: HMS Ark Royal sunk by an Italian submarine, 1941. 14 Sir Frederick Banting, Canadian surgeon and physiologist, 1923 Nobel laureate, born Alliston, Ontario, 1891. 15 Aelbert Jacobsz Cuyp, Dutch painter, died 1691.

20 Sir Christopher Hatton, Lord Chancellor from 1587, died London, 1591. Sir Wilfred Leurier, prime minister of Canada 1896-1911, born St Lin, Cuebec, 1841. 24 Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton, 1st Earl of Lytton, statesman and post, died Paris, 25 Sir Francis Chantry, sculptor, died London, 1841. 27 Pedro Salinas, Spanish poet, born Madrid, 1891.



Edward VII: born in 1841

#### DECEMBER 1 George Birkbeck, physician

and founder of mechanics' institutions, died London, 1841. 4 The Observer first published, 1791. 5 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, composer, died Vienna, 1791. 7 Second world war: Japanese aircraft bombed Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, 1941; the next day Britain, Australia and the USA declared war on Japan. 9 Sir Anthony van Dyck, painter and etcher, died London, 1641. Peter Joseph von Lindpaintner. Peter Joseph von Lindpaintner, German composer and conductor, born Koblenz, 1791. 10 Harold Alexander, 1st Earl Alexander of Tunis, field marshal, governor-general of Canada 1945-52, born London, 1891. Second world war: HMS Prince of Wales and HMS Repulse sunk by Japanese aircraft, 1941. 11 Second world war: the USA declared war on Germany and declared war on Germany and

haly, 1941. 14 Charles Wolfe, poet, born Blackhall, Co. Kildare, 1791. 19 Vitus Bering, Danish navigator, died Bering Island, 1741. 25 Eugène Scribe, French playwright, born Paris, 1791. 26 Henry Miller, American writer, born New York, 1891. 30 Robert Boyle, natural philosopher and chemist, died London, 1891.

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# THE PIONEER OF PRINTED ENGLISH



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Early days: lines from a book printed by William Caxton in 1480

William Caxton, the first English printer, died in London in 1491.
Caxton is important, not so much as a printer, but because he published in English instead of Latin. He was born in Kent in 1422 and. after apprenticeship to a fabrics dealer, moved to Bruges. He did not print a book until he was in his fifties. Having learnt his trade in Cologne, he set up a press in about 1474 and his first book. Recuyell of the Histories of Trose, his own translation from the French, was published in Bruges in 1475. Towards the end of 1476, Caxton returned to England and established his press at Westminster. By the time of his death he had published about 90 books, among them two editions of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales. and Sir Thomas Malory's Kyng Arthur.

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#### BRIEFING

#### Jury was not hung

IS IT not marvellous what a little bit of interior redecoration can do for a person's public image? Such redecoration has won Nicholas Serota, director of the Tate Gallery, the title of "Londoner of the Year". The title, couriesy of the Illustrated London News, was awarded to Serota for his rehanging of the gallery's pictures. He received the honour against for-midable competition: theatrical producer Cameron Mackintosh, design guru Sir Terence Conran, Lord Prior (for his fund-raising for Great Ormond Street Hospital), Major Mike Parker (who orga-nised the extravaganza for the Queen Mother's birthday), and even the Queen Mother herself. But it was a year for curators. Denis Farr of the Courtaild and Giles Waterfield of Dulwich Picture Gallery were also runners-up.

#### Tough trouper

AFTER yanking the tears in her cinema remake of Stella Dallas, Bette Midler is clearly game for anything. One of the actresssinger's future productions, Tulka, takes place during the Chinese Boxer Rebellion; Midler stars as a music-hall singer who gets in-volved in murder and mayhem on arriving in the country with a botanical expedition. The film on the immediate horizon, though, is For the Boys, the story of a touring song-and-dance team. Even here, the script calls on her to tap her feet off, survive three wars (the second world war, Korea, Vietnam) and slide into old age.



Bette Midler: daunting roles

#### Still vacant

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HOPES of a British artistic director for London Contemporary Dance Theatre seem to have vanished. Jonathan Lunn, who was appointed associate director a year ago, has been told that he will not be offered the top job, made vacant by Dan Wagoner's decision to return to America after only 18 months in Britain. Lunn will be in charge of a LCDT season at The Place in April but has decided to resign after that. Negotiations continue for Wagoner's successor: an announcement is likely at the end of January.

#### Last chance . . .

IN BRIAN Friel's Dancing at Lughnasa a pagan harvest festival is being celebrated offstage, and its reverberations are powerfully felt Donegal, This memoir of an Irish childhood has delighted almost everybody with its mix of warmth and wildness, and is sure to be revived in the years to come. Meanwhile, Patrick Mason's production ends its too short run at the Lyttelton, National Theatre (071-928 2252), tomorrow.

# Wit and wisdom of the other Alf

way of defining his emft.

"The best things I've done
I've never had to agonise
over." He cites Willy Loman in Arthur
Miller's Death of a Salesman as "probably
the greatest role I'll aver plan I know the greatest role l'il ever play. I knew enough about Willy from the moment I read the play. My father had been a salesman, not all that successful. And it wasn't difficult for me, being a father with aspirations for your children: all that part of it was absolutely there.

The same with Alf Garnett, I knew the man. I had worked at Euston Station as a porter, and at Walls ice cream factory on the night shift. With so many jobs I had done to fill in, there was always a barrackroom lawyer saying [Mitchell slips into Alf's voice] 'If you are in-jured in the pur-

Soo-ance of your duty ... "

The highest accolade for his performance as Willy came from Arthur Miller himself: "I don't know how you do it, Warren. You are Willy." But if Mitchell did achieve the second of the s did achieve the perfect transformation, it was by virtue of astonishing acting technique. He knows where a character begins and ends, even if the public fails to make the same distinction, and persists in

identifying him with Johnny Speight's loud-mouthed bigot.

Warren Mitchell talks easily as he reminisces about his family and his career. Now a grandfather, he is firmly rooted in his family Life. his family. His own grandparents came to Britain from Russia in 1910, and worked in the fish trade. Mitchell recalls the fish and chips of his boyhood. His mother would take him to his uncle's fish ber and order "two haddock and chips" with an exaggerated wink. It was years later that Mitchell learned the significance of that wink: they were eating skate, a forbidden fish in the Jewish religion.

He is no longer a practising Jew. He loves the people, the jokes, the patter, the food, but he also loves shellfish, oysters and skate. He did not think he ever believed, but he admits that ten years ago, when lying semi-paralysed in an Austra-lian hospital, he made a pact with God, If he walked again, he would give up cigarettes. He is now a non-smoker.

Perhaps it was his mother who first saw the character actor in the young Warren. She sent him to singing and dancing classes at the age of seven, and together they went regularly to the Palladium to see

the variety greats: Max Miller, Tommy Trinder, the Crazy Gang. He is inclined to pessimism about the whole future of theatre. He sees London theatre going the way of Broadway, with dramatically arid musicals. Two of his three children are now on the stage, and he did not try to dissuade them. "How could I? I've had such a good time myself."

Actor Warren Mitchell, television's Alf Garnett for 25 years, is back in the

West End in Pinter's The Homecoming. He talks to Lauris Morgan-Griffiths about his life and career

Bringing up two children in a two-room flat was no fun. "I never had that gritty determination, but I never gave up trying. I'm not an artist at heart. I'm a bourgeois. I have a notion of supporting my wife and family and living reasonably comfortably." So if he was not acting he would find work wherever he could: from factory-floor to selling women's hats on a market stall. "I never really did believe that I would earn a living from acting."

Success can come in funny packages. Mitchell's overnight success as Alf Garnett was a two-edged sword. It brought him enormous fame - the character has entered the British psyche - and fortune. Mitchell describes it as having "subsidised my art's career". But it also brought about a fear of being overwhelmed by an alter ego, akin to the ventriloquist's fear of being taken over by the dummy.

For 25 years, Alf has railed against Heath, Wilson, Callaghan and Thatcher.

But there are no plans for Major's Britain. "I love Alf; he's a great monster creation, and he epitomises that wonderful contradiction of the working class Tory. One of the greatest lines Johnny Speight ever wrote for him was 'My dad's grandad borrowed a pair of boots to walk 14 miles to vote Tory." The series is in limbo at the present; the BBC has told Speight and Mitchell that it has not been axed - but it is not in next year's schedules,

There is no way that Mitchell could be said to feel his way into a character. "Olivier and Richardson never gave master classes because they didn't know how they did it. I would find it very difficult to reach what I do. What I do is read it and read it, and hope that some inspiration is going to come. With King Lear I didn't get it until I put the clothes on."

His way of forming a character in his mind is to read the script every day for new mances. He also devotes a daily halfhour to yoga, to keep his body in trim and to ease the pain in his prosthetic hip. There are signs of the extro/introvert, the yin and yang in him: the extrovert that took him into acting in the first place; the loner instinct that attracted him to walking and 867 1045) from Thursday.

is hip, but he loves losing himself in the world of books. Enjoying Joseph Heller's and Philip Roth's characters, he slips away from the theatre at night to join their fictional company.

If his life had a turning-point it came

early on. During the war he met Richard Burton; they were RAF caclets together in Canada. Setting up stalls for an open day once. Burton could not resist getting up on the stage and reciting Shakespeare. Watching the look on people's faces, especially the girls, convinced Mitchell that was what he wanted to do. In 1947, he was accepted at RADA.

Tony Hancock was another influence: incidental but important. Hancock's Hall Hour was transmitted live. Hancock dried on one occasion, and Mitchell was quickwitted enough to bale him out. Hancock gratefully insisted Mitchell was to become a regular fixture in the series - usually appearing, for some reason, as a sinister

"Comedy comes from conflict, from hatred," says Mitchell. "Hancock hated Sid James for not recognising him as a star. In fact, Hancock hated the world," But when Mitchell defines comedy, he is referring to English comedy: of the considerably less savage variety on American television he is no admirer. He may appreciate the polish, the honing of the script, but from the Cosbys to the Golden Girls "not for one moment does it touch real life, for me. It isn't funny."

itchell's latest challenge is Pinter's The Homecoming. The play is about close but abrasive families, rejection, cruelty, suppressed violation and sex. And it is funny. On the regional tour which has preceded the London run. Mitchell (playing Max, the father) has been concentrating on "getting the size of the man". He is 'a sort of demonic Alf. He's a bastard,'

Mitchell sees the play, set in the East End he knows so well, as a portrait of a Jewish family closing ranks against a shicksa (dismissive term for a female gentile) being brought into the household by the returning successful son. "There is a wonderful golden vein of Jewish comedy at the opening of Act II."

He is directed here by Sir Peter Hall, which is an experience he has found highly educational. "I do not have his knack with people. He never raises his voice. He smiles and holds his corner, does not give way. He has that knack of putting you totally at your ease. I have that knack of putting people's backs up."

● The Homecoming is at the Comedy Theatre, Panton Street, London SWI (071-



Mitchell: "I'm a bourgeois . . . supporting my family and living comfortably."

#### OPERA REPERTOIRE

# Collywobbles at the Coliseum's sale of the century

WITH The Love for Three Orarges rightly packing them in, and with Madam Butterfly about to open, the English National Opera can draw breath at this half-way stage in its season devoted to 20thcentury works and occasional Mozart. There is the comfort, too. of the appreciation recently registered by the Arts Council, and of the support which the company's percial sponsors, defying common assertions, have given to uncommon repertory and daring productions.

But it is no secret that the audience response to some productions in the adventurous autumn repertory was disappointing, even if success in this area is difficult to quantify. After all, if

the company had simply wanted to fill the house, it would never have embarked on such a season at all: nobody could have hoped that Fennimore and Gerda, Greek and Doktor Faust would be such easy box-office hits as La Bohème and Rigoletto. And indeed the ENO budgeted, sagely if sadly, for lower turn-outs this season.

The problem is that even those low expectations have in some cases not been met. Doktor Faust, for which an average house of 55 per cent capacity was anticipated, in fact reached only 46 per cent. The company, inevitably, would rather interpret the figures in a positive light, pointing to a total of 14,000 people who have seen Wozzeck, and that must be

It is also important not to see financial results as a marker of artistic success. The ENO has had a couple of productions this season that were less wonderful than might have been hoped, but that was unavoidable when the whole purpose of this 20th-century celebration was to move away from the tried and true. What is more important is that the keystone operas of this century, Wozzeck and Pelléas and Mélisande, have been presented in superb musical performances, that works by three living composers are being staged during the season, and that a major national com-

pany is concentrating its resources

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counted a real achievement.

present. Poor box-office returns are a mean way by which to judge a venture of such imagination and potential cultural fruitfulness.

But of course the finances cannot be overlooked. For one thing, the company has to survive. For another, low audiences mean that a great many opportunities are being missed for people to experience the range of challenge, excitement and beauty within 20th-century opera. Quite possibly the ENO has fallen victim to the present recession, and that higher seat prices, coupled with diminished expendable incomes, have warned off the audiences that could have been expected three or four years ago, when this season was in planning.

It could be, too, that despite all the London Underground advertising there are still people who go regularly to the theatre and cinema but switch off when they notice the word "opera". They do not realise that the ENO's current season, at least, has very little to do with obese consumptives taking ten minutes over their dying gasps: that many of the works in this season are closer to spoken drama than to traditional opera, and that opera companies, not least the ENO, have taken the lead in the revolution in theatrical production in this country since

the early 1970s. Therefore, it may be necessary to point out just what is on offer at the Coliseum during the next six months: David Pountney's nursery dreamworld staging of Rusalka and his enchanting Cunning Little Vixen, Joachim Herz's starkly dramatic version of the Wilde-Strauss Salome, a new double-bill of Oedipus Rex and Bluebeard's Castle directed by David Alden and therefore guaranteed to divide opinion fiercely, the premiere of Stephen Oliver's Timon of Athens, and a hugely promising new production of Peter Grimes, directed by Tim Albery and with Philip Langridge leading the cast. With all this and more in prospect. it is very hard to feel gloomy about the ENO's present artistic aims

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#### OPERA IN EDUCATION

# Hard lessons in the workshops

Operatic projects in the classroom require more than just enthusiasm, says Hilary Finch

ectricity is going public with a vengeance. Hard on the heels of the big national sell-off, East Midlands Electricity is now finding itself heavily over-subscribed; in the classroom. As the result of a substantial and shrewd sponsorship move by the Royal Opera's education department, schools in the Buckinghamshire Education Authority sud-denly find themselves designing costumes, improvising music-dramas, and confronting forces of good and evil in preparation for a visit to Covent Garden's Magic

Flute in March. As the hype and counter-hype of the Mozart bicentenary celebra-tions rise to fever pitch, the Flute has never had it so good. In the space of one short season, it is being taken apart and put together again by no fewer than three major British opera companies, diligently seeking to save their souls and their bank balances by investing in educational projects in

scores of venues.

The Royal Opera's Flute project offers a package of an introductory workshop followed by four days of participatory work on any aspect of opera chosen by the individual school. While pressure from implementing the National Curriculum is making teachers reluctant to add to their workload by taking

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school groups to the opera, the use of visiting teams from Covent Garden as a cross-curricular resource carns extra attainment-

oriented "brownie points". At the Stantonbury campus in Milton Keynes, the Flute means investigating the skills of stage fighting. At Ousedale School, Bernard Haitink's daughter, Ingrid, is working on movement, with a view to a full-blown music drama. Frank Markham School, with 1,300 students in inner city Milton Keynes, has chosen the closer focus of costume design. As I watched a large group of mixed ability 12-year-olds being coached in draughtsmanship and colour consciousness by Francis O'Con-nor, one of the Royal Opern's of the Royal Opern's design team, it became clear that Covent Garden could have a new role to play in supplementing art provision in the state sector. Quite what it did for opera was less obvious

The children were told the tale of the three characters they were painting but, apart from a tape casseme running on meaninglessly in the background, not a note of their respective arias was used as stimulus. The opera company's own design department could well have stolen a few ideas from the pageant of birdcage Papagenos, skinhead Monostatoses and mannequin Queens of Night that was produced, but the long-term re-turn on this investment seemed in doubt. Only one school, apparently, had requested a composition workshop, and the Royal Opera can hardly be blamed for not providing what is not re-

Glyndebourne, on the other hand, goes straight to the heart of leap ahead to surprisingly comthe matter. The workshops offered - plex questions of communication



Designing a set: a pupil at Denbigh School, Bletchley, Milton Keynes, works on The Magic Flute

by Glyndebourne Touring Opera on their autumn travels may be comparatively small scale, ostensibly conventional. But a primarily musical approach pays dividends. Working with a group of 16-year-olds, director Stephen Medcalf, singers Chris Thornton-Holmes and Susannah Waters, and repetiteur Nancy Cooley combine a session of physical im-provisation with skilfully inter-cut investigations into the nature of

reconception and rejection are gently croded by explorations of topics such as what makes for the particular character of an "operatic", unamplified voice, or what makes an opera different from a musical. In seizing on the central point that all information in opera comes first of all from the music, and that the orchestra is a soundtrack for every passing emotion, Glyndebourne's education programme was able to

dealt with in The Magic Flute. The step was easy, too, from exploring the frustrated non-communication between Tamino and Pamina, and the moral ambiguity of the Queen of Night, to selling Glyndebourne's Peter Sellars production as it continued its tour. With so much potential in purely musical communication, who needs words? (All the dialogue is cut in this production.)

Glyndebourne, then, scores high on both PR and pedagogy. Opera 80, though, wins all the prizes for enlightened, even altruistic educational promotion. The company's unique selling point is an opportunity, within a gruelling three-month itinerary, to bring full-blown, although entirely portable, productions to parts of the country which opera would otherwise never reach. Not content with show-storming Britain from Ulversion to Uttoxeter, and working in 50 schools in the process, the company has also developed a Special Needs programme which is remarkable for

its disinterested philanthropy. There is little chance, after all. that ticket sales are going to be vastly increased by in-depth work with victims of cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and multiple sclerosis. Despite limited wheelchair access, most severely disabled adults simply lack a ready supply of transport and escorts to make opera-going a possibility. Opera 80's meticulously planned sessions are, however, an example of their kind. More vigorous musical and dramatic work was concentrated into a single day at the Winged Fellowship Trust's centre for the disabled near Nottingham than is often achieved in a week elsewhere.

Using harmonic sequences from the Flute itself as a basis for group composition, and exploiting the opera's transcendental themes as stimuli for close, experience-related narrative, the composer Stephen Endelman and three of the company's singers had created by the end of the day a taut, vividly paced piece of music drama.

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- Friday -

The Nutcracker Hippodrome, Birmingham

AT LAST a staging of The Nutcracker that is fun to watch, full of dancing, clear and simple in its narrative, rich with colour and excitement. Birmingham Royal Ballet in this production has given its new home town a splendid Christmas present that will provide pleasure for years.

This is Peter Wright's second treatment of the ballet: the earlier one is at present on show at Covent Garden and the two are as different as could be. Even before it starts. Birmingham's Nutcracker gives a welcoming buzz of interest with John Macfarlane's front curtain. This is sustained by his imaginative new treatment of the traditional transformation scenes, especially when the Stahlbaums' drawing room grows and grows in little Clara's imagination, until the fireplace completely fills one wall and the Christmas tree has reached up almost out of sight: a marvellous effect.

Clara now becomes unambiguously the leading character. In Wright's London Nuteracker she is meant to be an ordinary little girl and is played by a ballet student. The Birmingham Clara is described as a ballet student (she brings all her classmates to dance at the party) but is played by a grown-up dancer. Just as well, since she has more dancing than anyone else in the ballet and a flight o- .nagic white goose, too.

Sanora Madgwick at Saturday's gala premiere set a standard that will be hard to match for the ease, crispness and vivacity of her dancing and the warmth and responsiveness of her acting.

The other character to undergo a major change is Drosselmeyer. Theoretically he has been de-



Miyako Yoshida as the Sugar Plum Fairy with Petter Jacobsson as her cavalier in The Naturacker

moted: no longer a friend of the family but a magician hired to entertain the party guests. But he has more than ever to do, starting with a series of conjuring tricks (effectively staged by John Wade), and remaining a focus of attention in Act II as a master of ceremonies for the dances in Clara's dream. Joseph Cipolla gives him a mysterious but twinkling author-

Clara takes part in most of those dream dances, and has much to do in the first act too, partnered by a handsome and attentive young admirer. Wright has almost completely re-choreographed the ballet, with assistance from Vincent Reamon for the battle between the rats and toy soldiers - much fiercer than usual. All that remains

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Das Rheingold

Channel 4

FAST following the Munich Ring

on BBC 2 comes the New York

Metropolitan production, which

Channel 4 is broadcasting rather

more humanely over two consec-

utive weekends, with Siegfried and Götterdammerung to follow

next Saturday and Sunday. This

time there are no lecture-style

preparations, but instead a dif-

ferent kind of bathetic intrusion in

the inevitable commercial breaks every half hour or\_so.\_Otherwise

the main differences are in the

spacious tempos of James Le-

vine's conducting the rich detail

his orchestra provides, and the

ghastly sets and costumes, which

of lvanov's original choreography is the last pas de deux, the Sugar Plum Fairy's solo (still without its garguillades, can nobody dance or teach them any longer?) and the reed pipes dance. Quite enough, most will think

The chief virtue of the new choreography is the way it shows off the strength of the company, especially in its male dancers, including several newcomers. James Bailey as Drosselmeyer's assistant, capering with bizarre and alarming unpredictability, is one such. So are Yi Lei Cai as Clara's romantic admirer and Edwin Mota as a jack-in-the-box who springs, bounds and somersaults through an amazing solo. One regret is that whoever dances the Sugar Plum Fairy has

give the work the look of a low-budget swords-and-sorcery film.

Quite possibly the warty, reptil-

ian gear of Loge and the Ni-

belungs, the tiaras of the goddesses

and the New Mexico Valhalla

made some impression from a

hundred yards or so away in the

theatre for which this production

was made, but in close-up and on

the television screen the effect is

tacky. Nor is the eve diverted by

the interactions of the characters.

since the directo- Otto Schenk,

generally leaves people to stand by

themselves and flail their arms

about hopefully. Billed as "natu-

ralistic", the production looks, on

the contrary, woefully stagey and shoddy: Lehnhoff in Munich, or

Kupfer in Bayreuth, or Friedrich

in London offers vastly more

sense of these gods, dwarfs and

The vocal performances in Das

people as natural beings.

herself as a ballerina, and consequently dances just the one big number like a guest artist. Miyako Yoshida sparkles demurely but briefly. Petter Jacobsson as her cavalier was luckier as he got to partner Clara in the snowflakes The company's orchestra, newly

even less to do here than in the

London production. She is pre-

sented as Clara's magic vision of

renamed the Royal Ballet Sinfonia, played with spirit but some occasional lapses (especially in the Arabian dance) under Barry Wordsworth. The production, sponsored by PowerGen, is dedicated in gratitude to the city of

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Rheingold, too, were disappointing. The cast was essentially that of Levine's DG recording, though with James Morris sounding disturbingly wobbly as Wotan for all his strong tone, and with Christa Ludwig seeming very much in her twilight as Fricka. Ekkehard Wlaschiba, normally so black an Alberich (as he was in the Munich video-recording), was curiously colouriess; so was Heinz Zednik as Mime, while the casting of Siegfried Jerusalem as Loge appeared again, as it does on record, a gaping error. There were, of course, moments of success, notably from the giants and from the Donner, but these were glints of sunlight in a performance that, though orchestrally superb, was visually disastrous and vocally

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But if Freudiana is to make the it still needs considerable therapy: rapturously received by a Viennese audience understandably delighted to have one of their own citizens under the musical spotlight for the first time since The Merry Widow (unless, of course, you count Amadeus), this show remains for the present a resolutely local rather than international hit.

characteristically eccentric than when having its hero encounter Sherlock Holmes on Baker Street Station for a brisk lesson in selfdetection. As a Candide for the musically disturbed, Freudiana will find its patients; and Peter Weck's production is a baroque monument to scenic energy, neurotically in key with the writing and the scoring.

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THREE SISTERS (12): Chelchov updated to an Italien university town in the 1990s Sperks fly from all three actresses (Farmy Ardent, Greta Soeochi, Valeria Gollmo), yet the film stays in low gear. Director, Mergeretine

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Jeremy Kingston's assessment of Current theatre in London
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E PRIVATE LIVES: Keith Bacter, Joan Collins and Sare Crowe in Coward's comedy. Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (171-836 6404). Underground: Covent Garden, Mon-Fri, Spm. Sat, 8:30pm, mass Wed, 3pm, Set, 5pm. Running time: 3rm 15mins. Ends January 26, (Open Jan 1).

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THREE BISTERS: Three Redgraves in admirable if over-bully production; Vaneses

and Lynn outstanding as the older gris. Queen's, Shartesbury Awanue, W1 (071-734 1168). Underground: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat. 7.30pm, mate Wed, Sat, 2.30pm.

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JACK AND THE BEANSTALK: SUDONO JAMA AND THE BEANSTALK Superor pento directed by American Teddy Kiendl. Gallen Wright is a very furmy Princess. Fernells, who has a compulsion to ent frogs, while Eddie Nestor and Tony Marshall are grandly aggressine rogues. Alberty Empire, Douglas Way, London SCB (081-691 8383). Check with theatre for three.

## James Morris as Wotan in the New York Metropolitan Des Rheinpold THEATHE Freudiana

Theater an der Wein, Vienna

AFTER a considerable Austrian triumph at the Theater an der Wien with Andrew Lloyd Webber's Cats and Phantom of the Opera, Webber's former partner in the Really Useful Group, Brian Brolly, now tries for the hat-trick there with the first home-grown Viennese megamusical. Freudiana comes in on a budget of £1 million, or thereabouts, and is essentially the story of a local psychiatrist made good, though neither Sigmund nor Sir Clement, nor even Emma Freud, puts in a personal appearance.

With a score by Eric Woolfson (his first for the stage) and a set

which seems to recall highlights from Time, this is an extravaganza for those suffering from scenery and Woolfson and Lida Winieasieep on Freud's couch during a

home telephone number.

kind of Psychiatric Express, while

lightning tour of his consulting rooms and is then dragged through

a nightmarish selection of the most famous case histories, before awakening to find himself so well readjusted that he is able to ask a fellow tourist at the airport for her

mented plot the makers of Freudiana have trapped themmusical genres. The score is rockopera with aspirations towards a

for those who like their Freud unencumbered by too much analysis, a psychiatric sing-along obsessions. The concept, by Brolly wicz, is simplicity itself: a tourist (the German actor Ulrich Tukur, last seen locally as Hamiet) falls

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the Pilgrim's Progress form of the get off".

have indicated.

state the Oedipus triangle as a inser-beamed extravaganza has to be given some credit, and there is of course a long and honourable tradition in Europe for the medical musical - it was Molière himself who first put the songs into Le Malade imaginaire.

1960s world of Anthony Newley and "stop the psychiatry, I want to Those of us hoping for counter-

harmonies about schizophrenia or a paranoid tap-dancing solo were left to recall that Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim said most of what is in Freudiana with the ten minutes of their "Gee. Officer Krupke" from West Side Story. But this production is still very far from being the fiasco which reviews of the concept, or indeed the concept album, might

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SHERIDAN MORLEY

# DIE FLEDERIALIS: Taleutien viewere om join toright is end-of-year extravagance is which Dame Jose Summered makes he have self guest appearance at the venue where he began her caree in 1922. But is joined in the Act it purty scene by long-standing colleagues Lucieno Pavarotti sind Merityn Home, though what they wet be singing is, as usual, a surprise. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WCZ (071-340 1086/1911), 7pm. CINDERELLA: Another promising production with Stanley Bacter returning to traditional pants (though he timestens it

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10.20 Paddles Up. A new series of the international canceing competition from the River Tryweryn at Bala, north Wales 10.50 Lyle the Crocodile. Tony Randell narrates an animated version of a story about the world's cleverest crocodile (r)

11.15 Film: Willy Works and the Chocolate Factory (1971) staming Gene Wilder. Jack Albertson and Peter Ostrum Roaid Dahl's

Gene Wider, Jack Albertson and Peter Ostrum Road Dani's adaptation of his popular children's book about a small boy and his adventures in a chocolate factory Wilder enjoys himself as the adventures in a chocate factory Wider enjoys himself as the eccentric Wilty and there are happy songs from Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley. Directed by Mei Stuart 12.55 Regional news

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1.00 One O'Clock News with Andrew Harvey Weether

1.10 Neighbours. (Ceefax) 1.30 Animal Sanctuary. The work of Gey and Andy Chiristie who have devoted their life to nursing sick and injured animals. Narraled by John King

2.00 Film: Go to Buazes (1961) starring Robert Mortey, Dave King and Daniel Massey. Three smash-and-grab specialists decide that their rises necessary on a fire-finiting. Daniel Massey. Inree smash-and-grab specialists decide that their ideal getaway car would be a fire engine and errol on a fire-fighting course. Average comedy, bolstered by an impressive cast of British comedy stativarts. Directed by Michael Truman

3.20 That's Life's Talented Pets. Esther Rantzen presents a special selection of talented pets requested by the viewers of That's Life

3.50 Film: Explorers (1985) staring River Phoenix, Ethan Hawke and Lason Presson. A voluno box obsessed with sagnospiction

Jason Presson. A young boy, obsessed with scenor-ficing yearns to travel into space and, thanks to a whatz kid friend, his wish is granted. Joe Dante, who directed Gramfins and Innerspace, begans strongly but the story gets bogged down and ends weakly. The enjoyable playing of the young stars helps to commence to (Cauday) compensate. (Ceefax)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Andrew Harvey Weather

 6.15 Regional News Magazines
 6.30 That's Showbusiness. A special edition of the entertainment quiz. 7.00 Wogan. Terry takes a look back over some of the guests he has had on the show during the year
7.30 Dad's Army, Classic Home Guard comedy from Jimmy Perry and
David Croft. (r) (Ceefax)

8.00 May to December. A special edition of the comedy series, with Lesley Dunlop taking over the part of Zoe Alec (Anton Rodgers) reflects on the 25 years he has spent with the firm, where all his dealings have been concerned with leases, wills and divorces, and dreams of emulating his idol, Perry Mason (Ceetax)

8.55 News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather
9.15 Film: Roxanne (1987) Steve Martin plays the fire chief of a smell American town, where the biggest attraction is his huge nose. The residents and his inept fire crew provide much of the fun, but Martin's cornic talent is given full reign, most memorably in the scene where he comes up with 20 insults about his nose. Martin was also the writer of this lively romantic comedy, adapted from

was also the writer of this tively romantic comedy, adopted from Rostand's Cyrano de Bergerac and co-starring Daryl Hannah. Directed by Fred Schepisi. (Ceefax)

11.00 Citve James on 1990. The portly Aussie applies his wit to the events and personalities of the year His targets include Helmut Kohl, Donald Trump, Mäkhari Gorbachev and John Major

12.00 Happy New Year. Ringing out the old with the chimes of Big Ben, followed by a New Year's message from the Archbishop of Canterbury

12.10am Film: Carry On England (1976). The penultimate film in the Carry On series that misses the talents of Kenneth Williams, Hattie Jacques and Sid James. Directed by Gerald Thomes. (Ceefax)



Lesiey Duniop as Zoe and Anton Rodgers as Alec (8.00pm)

8.00 English Towns. Architectural historian Alec Clifton-Taylor visits Chichester in Sussex (r). (Cestax)

8.30 Wildlife Showcase. Amazing scenes of how the caribou cross the river in their battle for survival in the Quebec wilderness (r).

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8.55 Film: Tarzan's Secret Treasure (1941, b/w) Johnny Wessmuller, Maureen O'Sullivan and Johnny Shelfield star as the jungle family A conflict of feelings arises when Boy is saved by a scientific expedition which may also pose a threat to the peace of the jungle. Directed by Richard Thorpe

10.15 Film: Murder She Sald (1961, b/w). An adaptation of Agatha Christie's novel 4.50 from Packington staring Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple and television Miss Marple, Joan Hickson, in a different role. Rutherford was hardly anyone's idea of the lady sleuth, least of all the author's, but her boisterous playing enlivers this mystery involving a woman being strangled on a train

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11.35 Darts. Tony Gubba introduces highlights of the 1990 Embassy World professional derts championship final at the Lakeside Country Club, Framey Green 12:55 Greenclaws (r)

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1.10 Review of the Year. Jonathan Dimbleby visits some places that have hit the heedlines in 1990 and talks to personalizes who have been in the news including the governor of Strangeways Prison and former England footbell manager, Bobby Robson (r)
2.30 Beethoven Symphonies. The London Classical Players perform Symphony No 9 in D Minor, Op 125, the "Choral". Conducted by Roger Nornington
3.35 Athletics: Britain's Year of Gold. David Coleman presents a calculation of Britain's architecture in athletics in 1990. Bross.

celebration of Britain's achievements in athletics in 1990. Roger Black, Kriss Akabusi, Yvonne Murray, John Regis and Peter Elitot lock back on their year and forward to the world championships in

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4.30 Thank You Mr Cruft. Angelo Rippon narrates the history of dog showing from its beginnings in London pubs to the first Cruft's dog show, founded by dog-food salesman Charles Cruft. She talks to Cruft's grandson and follows the fortunes of a terrier that was a contender for Supreme Champion last year.
5.10 Arena Special: 25 x 5 — the Continuing Adventures of the Rolling Stones. The Stones introduce and narrate their own story featuring unseen performances from their private archives. Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, Charlie Watts, Bill Wyman and relative paragraphs from Wood convide personal commentaries on the hights. newcomer flon Wood provide personal comme and lows of the band's career (r)



Soprano Jose Budinstand and lunor Luciano Pararotti (7.00pm)

7.00 Die Fledermaus: La Stupenda's Farewell. Joen Sutherland began her opera career at Covent Garden in 1952 and tonight she eturns to say farewell. She appears as the "star guest" at Prince Orlofsky's party in Act II and is joined by mezzo-soprano Marilyn Home and Italian tenor Luciano Pavarotti. This live performance of Johann Strauss's operetta includes a distinguished cast of singers with John Sessions making his opera debut in the spoken role of Frosch. The translation is by John Mortimer who helps to introduce this glittering musical occasion

10.50 A Life in Pieces. Sir Arthur Street-Greebling (Peter Cook) chooses the sixth of his 12 Christmas gifts, prompted by Ludovic 10.55 Rolling Stones in Concert. A live concert recorded in the Olympic

Stadium, Barcelona, during the recent Urban Jungle tour by the Rolling Stones
12.25am Film: Young Frankenetein (1974, b/w). Mel Brooks's madcap perody of the Thirties horror movie, carefully photographed in the black and white style of the period, Gene Wilder is a brilliant young

brain surgeon who goes to Transylvania, where he talks under the spell of his grandiather's experiments and decides to recreate spen of the granulative a experiments and decides to recreate them. Also starring Marty Feldman, Madeline Kahn, Gene Hackman and Cloris Leschman. Directed by Mel Brooks. (Ceefax) 2.10 Westher THE THERE IS NOT THE TANK OF THE PARTY.

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6.00 TV-am with news bulletins on the hour and half hour 8.50 9.25 The New Adventures of He-Man 9.50 Thames News and

9.55 FBm: 20.000 Leagues Under the Sea (1954) Kirk Douglas, James Mason and Paul Lukas star in a spectacular mantime adventure. based on Jules Verne's novel. Directed by Richard Reischer
12.25 Home and Away. Australian senal about a couple and their toster
children 12.55 Thames News and weather
1.00 News at One with John Suchet. Weather
1.20 Disney Cartoon. The Robber Kitten

1.30 Film: Condorman (1981). Michael Crawford is Woody Williams, the writer of Condorman comic books, who believes in testing out his hero's exploits before setting pen to paper. Mild spy spool from the Disney studio, directed by Charles Jarrott
3.10 News headlines 3.15 Thames News headlines 3.20 Families

3.50 Film: Alice in Wonderland (1951) Disney's bright and beautiful Fifth: Alice in Wortemans (1991) District a unger and accepted by cartoon version of Lewis Carroll's famous fantasy tale directed by Clyda Garonami, Hamilton Luske and Wilfred Jackson. (Cracle) ckbusters. General knowledge quiz for teenagers, hosted by

Sob Holness 5.40 News with Sandy Gall. (Oracle) Weather 6.00 Home and Away (r)

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 To Wish You Were Here , . ? Judith Chalmers travels across Europe on the Onent Express, Shaw Taylor goes on a murder weekend in a Surrey hotel; and in Hawaii, John Carter samples the delights of a hotel where dolphins swim about with guests in the pool. (Oracle 7.30 Coronation Street. Catch up with the regulars at the Rovers.

(Oracle) 8.00 Strike it Lucky. A New Year edition of the high-tech game show with Michael Barrymore. The jackpot goes to charity



Promise James Mangelerous (NAS) and Mark Middlenus (8.30pm)

8.30 Taggart: Rogues' Gallery,

CHOICE: Abandoning its three-part format to follow the seasonal lashion for feature-length specials Taggart offers another enjoyably crafted puzzle, this time involving a Glasgow art gallery. drug dealers and a body recovered from a car crusher Stuart Henbum's script introduces these three elements separately and bit and bit, thus challenging the audience to work out how they can be related. It is one of the oldest of narrative devices and one of the most reliable. Less of a tease, especially for connosseurs of detective senes, is sitting Jim Taggart (Mark McManus) in a deck-chair looking forward to three days leave. As he enjoys the sunshine, with a can of beer to hand, it is odds on that he will be back on duty almost before he can take the first swig. The usual strong cast includes Jack Galloway and Edita Brychta as the shifty gallery owner and his less than doting assistant. (Oracle)

10.00 News with Sandy Gell. (Oracle) Weather 10.15 Live from the London Pelladium — Happy Birthday, Happy New Year, A vanety spectacular to celebrate the eightieth year of the theatre. Today's stars, including Jam Dale, Bea Arthur, Michael Ball, Bobby Davre, Andrew O'Connor and Gary Wilmot, pay tribute to such golden oldies as Judy Garland, Sophie Tucker and Jack nan. Plus contributions from Russ Abbot, Max Bygraves and Fiftes American singer Guy Mitchell. 12.15am Film: Funny Lady (1975). Disappointing sequel to Funny Girl.

the blopic of chorus girl turned Broadway star Fanny Brice. Barbra Streisand's performance is too chilly for the wit and warmth of the famous comedienne and the star's main asset, her singing voice, is compromised by overproduced numbers. Directed by Herbert

Ross. Followed by News headlines 2.45 Film: The Sons of Katle Elder (1965). When their mother dies, the four sons of Katie Elder return to pay their respects to her and find she died penniless with someone also owning the family ranch. The boys set out to find the truth behind their mother's powerty and determine to put the Eider name back on the map. Brawing minor western from veteran director, Henry Hathaway, starring John Wayne, Dean Martin, Michael Anderson Jnr and Earl Holtman as the four Elgers. 4.55 Back Track 90. Review of 1990's music scene, with trends, styles

and events including the performance of "The Wall" in Berlin and the all-star line up at the Knebworth concert 5.55 ITN Morning News. Ends at 6.00

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6.00 The Art of Landscape. Photography of the natural world

accompanied by soothing music 6.20 Business Daily 6.30 The Channel Four Daily

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10.25 Batman and Robin (b/w). Episode sev 10.45 The Adventures of TinTin 11.00 Things To Come. A look into the

future with Malcolm Bennett and Penny Southgate. (r)

11.30 Torry Jackin's Pro-Celebrity Golf. Henry Cooper and Sam Torrence form the Sportsmen team against Tim Brooke-Taylor and Bennet Balloria. Roman Ratiferty, the Entertainers
12.30 The Case of the Silk King. When their Uncle Stan disappears in

Thailand, Shaun and Tina investigate 1.30 Film: Fitzcarraido (1982).

Film: Fitzcarradio (1962).

• CHOICE: Werner Herzog's film about the dream of a penniless trishman to build an opera house in the jungle of Peru in 1900 is as bold and imaginative as the story it relates. At its heart is the extraordinary notion of hauling a boat over land from one river to another to exploit the rubber trees that will finance the project. Like another to exploit the rubber trees that will mance the project. Like his hero, Brian. Sweeney Fitzgerald (known as Fitzcarraido from local attempts to pronounce his name), Herzog discovered that it was one thing to devise a grandiose project and quite another to put it into operation. His original lead, Jason Robards, was forced to pull out because of itness. Mick Jagger left to fulfil other commitments. Location hazards included landsides, strikes, tribal wars and walkouts by the 5,000 extras. But Klaus Kinski replaced Robards and the film was eventually finished, to win wide acclaim and a too page at the Campe Film Festival. and a top prize at the Cannes Film Festival Slesta, Igor Sevcik's line drawings

4.30 Countdown. The 21st series of the words and numbers game

5.00 Hog Heaven, At Sturgis, south Dakota, 300,000 Hogs — Harley Davidson motorcycles — gather for the world's largest motorcycle

5.30 Granpa. Animated film from the same stable as The Snowman, about an old man's adventures with his grandaughter. With the

voices of Peter Ustinov and 12-year-old Emily Osborne 6.00 Rossanne. Rossanne and husband Dan continue their wise-cracking way through the ups and downs of life (r) 6.30 Tonight with Jonathan Ross. The guests are Michael Palin and

the singer Lisa Stansfield 7.00 News and weather followed by All Rivers Run II. Episode three of

the four-part Australian river-boat drama. (Teletext) 8.00 Brockside, Earthy Liverpudlian soap. (Teletext) 8.30 Film: Yes, Glorgio (1982). Luciano Pavarotti plays an international opera star visiting America on a concert tour, losing his voice and falling for the doctor (Kathryn Harrold) who is treating him. Lavish musical romance, which reportedly cost £19 million and was a box office flop. But Pavarotti's charming performance and spinted rendering of a string of operatic classics are worth switching on for Directed by Franklin J. Schaffner



Blackpool's singing drag queen: Neville Sinclair (10.35pm)

 CHOICE: Talent night at the Queen's Hotel in Blackpool features a singing drag queen, twin sisters in their late sixties doing a striptease and a bumbling droll vaguely modelled on Tommy Cooper. It is safe to say that if Mark Chapman had not made a film about them, none would have been seen on television. They are would-be pros who never made it and amateurs who never will. Yet for the patrons of the Queen's, mostly elderly like themselves, they offer a Joyous evening of brash, bawdy and uncomplicated entertainment. For some dressing up and performing before an audience is a paradoxical release from shyness. For others it is simply a ball. Much of the fascination of Chapman's film is ing the real person behind the make-up. The stage drunk is a driving instructor, the sad-faced clown runs an aerobics class and the latter-day Tommy Cooper serves in the hotel restaurant 11.35 Vic Reeves' New Year's Eve Big Night Out, Vic Reeves and Bob

Mortimer entertain from one year to the next with their own brand of humour 12.20am Squeeze in concert at the Newcastle City Hall

1.25 UB40 Plays The Blues. The band concludes its world tour with a concert at Birmingham City tootball ground, Guesta include The Pogues and Robert Palmer (r). Ends at 3.20

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comedy shout a man's memories of his
obstitution everythent. Ends are 5.35.

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8.00 Running Scened: Two Chicago cope (Gregory Hines and SBY Crystel) decide to pract one fivel crime before they reten 10.00 Fetal Attraction: A weekend ting for

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Puritani, Act 2: Royal Opera
House Orchestra under
Molinani-Pradelli); Respighi
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ballet suite: Philharmonia
under Geoffrey Simon)
8.30 News

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d'Avalos)
11.55 Bach and Rameau: Orchestra
of the Age of Enlightenment
under Leonhardt performs
Bach (Concerto in C for three
violins and strings): Rameau
(Surfe, Les Paladins)

1,00pm News 1,05 Semiramide; in a performance gwen last Saturday at the Metropolitan Opera, New York, the Metropolitan Opera Chorus and Orchestra under James Conlon performs
Rossin's opera seria. Sung in
Italian. With June Anderson,
soprano, as Seminamide,
Cusen of Babylon
5.05 All the World's a Globe:
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Episode 5 5.20 Leeds International Piano Competition. Paul Hindmarsh presents the first of four programmes from this year's semi-final recitals. Eric Le Sage, the third prize-winner, from France, performs \$tockhausen (Klavierstuck V); Schubert (Sonata in B fat, D 960); Schumann (Carnaval) 6.35 Czech Philharmonk: The hom section plays Jacques Frençois Gellay (Grand Hom Quartet, Op 26)

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7.00 News
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7.05 Wolpert Conversations: A Very
Tidy Desk. The physical
anthropologist Devid Pibeam
talks to Lewis Wolpert (f)
7.30 Uchida Plays Beelhoven: The
panist Mitsuko Uchida, with
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for chamber orchestra);
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thoven (Symphony No 4 in 9.10 Four Runyon Roques: Part 2. Earthquake, A hit-man, condemned to the electric chair, finds a nobler way to die 9.25 Schubert and Bartok Krystyna Osostowicz, volin, Paut Coker, piano, play Schubert (Sonata No 2 in A minor, D 385);

piano, play Schubert (Sonata No 2 in A minor, D 385):
Bartók (Rhapsody No 2) (r)

10.00 The Green Man Revisited
Chicke: Post-dating the writing of his ghostly novel
The Green Man by three years, Kingsley Amis's short story manages to extract some remaining drops of creepness out of a tube most of us would have thought would have been squeezed dry. Amis reads his story, and because he brings so much plausibility and spontaneity to the task, it is practically impossible to gauge whether this account of his visit to an inn uncannily like The Green Man is more of the same spooky brew or whether this is yet another example of a literary phenomenon: fact emulating faction — that defies the rules of logs (r)

10.25 Te Deum: Orchestra and Chonus of Les Arts Florissants sing this ancient hymn using the famous setting by Marc-Antoine Charpentier

10.55 Composers of the Week:
Offenbach (r)

11.55 News and Big Ben

12.00-1.30am A Jazz New Year:
Clainettist ko Papasov and his Bulgaran Wedding Band, live from London's Jazz Caté

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Jonathan Fryer, incl 6.30,
7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News
8.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35 The
Week on 4 8.43 People Who
Say Goodbye, by P.Y. Betts (3
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9.05 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again:
Another chance to hear the
classic comedy show
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lo Kendali and Bill Oddie (s) 10.00 News; Money Box, with Louise Botting and Vincent Duggleby

five children. Read by Andrew Sachs (s)
10.45 Daily Service from Glasgow (s)
11.00 News; Down Your Way: Clay Jones visits Jersey (r)
11.40 Poetry Pleasel Simon Ree introduces a stelection of poetry for New Year's Eve. The readers are Betty Mulcahy and Nick Chilvers (s)
12.00 News; You and Yours, with John Howard
12.25pm Winston in Love: Part 1. I'm

12.25pm Winston in Love: Part 1. I'm in Love, I'm in Love. Peter Tinniswood's six-part senal. Since falling in love with Roland from the Ministry of Rotend from the Ministry of Whatsisrazme, Nancy (Shirley Dixon) does not like to remember what happened with Winston (Bill Walls) under the old beech tree at Winterleed Gunner (s) (r) 12.55 2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Jenni Murray presents highlights from the past year's

from the past year's programmers.

3.00 News; The Killing of Mr Toad; David Gooderson's portrait of Kenneth Grehame's private life, the author of The Wind in the Willows; With Edward Hardwicke as Kenneth Grehame and Mrs Elepeth Grahame (a) (r) 4.30 Kaleidoscope: Psul Mellor

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5.00 Name Out; of the Year; Hosted
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7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Engel Programme with 7.20 The Food Programme, with

Roberts reads a short story by Mordecal Richler (r) 9.59

7.20 The Food Programme, with Derek Cooper (7)
7.45 The Monday Play: Cyrano de Bergerac. Director John Powell adepted Edmond Rostand's heroic comedy for radio in 1966, Raigh Richardson gives a classic performance as the eponymous poet, swordsman and wit, who is doomed by his monstrous nose to fail in love. With Jurus Weinhard as Rossand (6) (7) (r)
10.30 Morning Story: Toys Galore, by Antonis Samerakla. A man searches for five toys for his five children. Read by Andrew

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(a) (r) 9.45 The Art of Kissing: William 10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The Warden. The first of Anthony Trolope's popular Chronicles of Barsetshire. Read in ten of Barsetshire. Read in ten
parts by Jeremy Nicholas (r)
11.00 The Gate of the Year. Harry
Thompson finds himself on the
brink of a New Age
11.45 Ring Out, Wild Belts: A
meditation for the New Year
with the Bishop of Edinburgh,
the Rt Ray Richard Holloway,
who reflects on the past year
and looks forward to 1991
12.00-12.30am Big Ben and News,
incl 12.20 Weather 12.33
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1.00 The World at One, with James Naughtie 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast

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## **Tories** 'facing defeat' over the economy

By NICHOLAS WOOD POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE government's present economic policies threaten defeat for the Conservatives at the next election, two former ministers said yesterday as they called for a devaluation of sterling within the European exchange rate

Michael Spicer, who left his post as housing minister with the change in the Tory leadership, warned his party that, unless the pound was uncoupled from the German mark, it would probably lose the next election "on the back of a gravely wounded economy".

Sir Rhodes Boyson, a former local government minister, predicted "increasing and possibly massive unemployment unless the pound was devalued by 10-15 per cent. This could be disastrous for the Conservative party."

The two backbenchers intensified the pressure on Norman Lamont, the chancellor, as Labour moved ahead of the Conservatives in an opinion poll for the first time since John Major replaced Margaret Thatcher as prime minister. The poll also highlighted public alarm about the country's economic prospects for 1991.

The latest Mori survey for Times Newspapers put Labour four points ahead of the Tories. Polls taken in the immediate aftermath of Mr Major's election as Conservative leader gave his party a lead of up to 11 points.

The criticism from the two former ministers coincided with a strong defence of his policies by Mr Lamont with support from Chris Patten, the Tory party chairman. Inflation was the "great destroyer" of living standards, the chancellor said in The Mail on Sunday. The ERM was an "antiinflationary club" and British membership was "at the centre" of the government's efforts to curb rising prices.

With the pound near the bottom of its ERM band, the chancellor has little scope for interest rate cuts to inject some buoyancy into the economy. However, he appeared to rule out devaluation. Devaluation had not worked in the past yet there were still "siren voices" calling for an ERM re-alignment. "We will not heed those voices. Consequently, there is no question of a cut in interest rates that is not fully justified by our position in the ERM."

Speaking on BBC Radio 4's The World this Weekend, Mr Patten said that by the next election the government would have "licked" inflation and laid the foundations for sustained economic growth.



Blizzard victim: a gritting lorry lies helplessly on its side in a snowdrift just off the A9 near Daviot in the Grampian region in northeastern Scotland. The weather frustrated skiers, with Drumochter Pass blocked by drifts, and the ski centres at the Lecht and Glen Shee hit by high winds and poor visibility

#### Papers in MoD car are stolen

Continued from page 1

been our concern to see that that is the case." Martin O'Neill, Labour's defence spokesman, said the Opposition would try to establish how important the

The ministry said it was too soon if to say what action, if any, would be taken against Wing Commander David Farquhar, who was responsible for the car on December 17, when the theft occurred. However, he could face lisciplinary proceedings. Wing Commander Farquhar,

personal staff officer to Sir Patrick Hine, has been moved to other duties while the investigation is carried out. Sir Patrick was not in the unmarked Vauxhall Carlton car being taken from Downing Street to the Operation Granby headquarters at RAF Strike Command in High Wycombe, Buck-inghamshire, by Wing Command Farguhar and the driver.

The ministry said the two left the car unattended in Acton, west London. It was reported that while they were looking at second-hand cars in a showroom a thief broke into the boot and stole the

# Champagne lifestyle on credit card

From Mary Dejevsky IN MOSCOW

EVEN when there is nothing obviously in the shops, the weekend before the new year holiday is Moscow's busiest. This year it was especially frantic. Saturday was decreed a normal working day to give most workers a straight run of four days' holiday. After Saturday evening the work stopped and the drinking began, or rather the drinking took over.

Working day or no, Saturday saw crowds braving muddy streets, public transport at bursting point and gridlock on the Moscow inner ring road. Although Christmas trees had been added to the list of this year's shortages, many a Muscovite struggled home through the crush of the underground with a six- or eight-foot At the city's central market the

already extortionate prices were pushed up a further notch for the holiday. A generous week's supply of fruit and vesetables - apples. oranges, onions, tomatoes and cucumbers, lettuce, sultanas and lemons - cost more than 200 roubles, or £70 at the new "commercial" exchange rate. The average Soviet monthly wage is

meat section, where the marble slabs were occupied only by the clusters of fat and bone that constitute the state meat supply. Where an apology might have been in order, each set of meat scales bore a note explaining that the maximum price of meat is just under seven roubles a pound. A city council edict setting a ceiling on meat prices has simultaneously raised prices and cut off supplies. The middlemen, who have profited from prices of around 15 roubles a pound for the past few

"Now, if you want a really choice piece for your holiday feast, I can do it for you, but you have to understand" - the seller looks furtively in the direction of a nondescript box behind the counter - "that quality costs..." Sums of 40 roubles and upwards were mentioned. "Monstrous," complained the bystanders. But the choice was 40 roubles or

months, are not prepared to sell

Sucking-pigs, seemingly exempt from the price ruling, lay reproachfully on the counter side by side. Perfect from snout to trotter. they cost upwards of 250 roubles

Aside from meat, the most 260 roubles. But people bought. keenly felt shortage this year is of champagne. The cognoscenti say keenly felt shortage this year is of that the problem is not a shortage of bubbly as such, but a shortage of

This year those able to place special orders through their workplace - that is a large proportion of the workforce - were required to supply one empty vodka bottle for each bottle of vodka ordered, immediately creating a new black market in empty vodka bottles.

Champagne bottles, it is said, cannot be reused without harming the fizz, or so Moscow's frustrated champagne drinkers have been encouraged to believe.

On to Gum on the edge of Red Square, the biggest and most famous department store in Moscow. On Saturday afternoon, when trade should have been at its most frantic, the doors on three



sides were firmly closed, with card-playing staff and police sit-ting sullenly inside behind the glass, protected by metal containers built into battering rams. On the fourth side police guarded the entrance against a crowd of a hundred or so.

On the penultimate shopping day before the new year, Moscow's premier department store was closed to ordinary shoppers, but open - a growing trend - to those with "invitations", which arrive by diverse routes. They may reward overtime or help with the harvest, compensate for low pay or an extra-large family, or repay a vote for a particular candidate in a council by-election.

The suspicion is that, like votes,

they can be bought.

Foreigners do not qualify for invitations, But an enquiry addressed to one of the hard-pressed policeman on the door brought the reply: "We have instructions to admit you on 'production of a credit card." So now you know. Leave your passport, your Moscow resident's papers and your employer's reference at home. If you want to shop at Gum before the new year holiday, what you really need is a credit card. It does

Media alarm, page 10

## Snow and gales sweep Scotland and the North

Continued from page 1 snowplough escorted the ambulance containing Mrs Neil to Fort William where she was admitted for surgery.

Ironically, skiers heading for Scotland's resorts found access roads blocked and the police closing other roads because of high winds in the Glencoe and Caimgorne areas.

Glasgow weathermen said yesterday that the avalanche risk in Lochaber was very today and that some movement had been detected in the area. At Glencoe. there is a particularly high risk.

Elsewhere in Scotland snowfalls blocked many roads. Inverness was cut off to the south by road and rail for some time yesterday. Glencoe was blocked by drifting snow and minor roads were badly affected in the Highlands and Strathclyde. The A9 Inverness to Perth road was blocked at Drumochter and at Newtonmore before being re-opened to limited COLLYONS.

Heavy snow blanketed most of Northern Ireland with the worse affected areas in the west and north where the Met Office issued a severe weather warning. Snow ploughs kept open main roads as blizzards continued throughout the day and into last night for the fourth successive day.

The London Weather Centre

said that wet roads in the Midlands were likely to freeze over and the AA warned motorists to drive with extreme caution.

Today, many southern and central parts of England will be cloudy with outbreaks of rain. Clearer and mainly dry weather will spread from the southwest during the afternoon to reach many central and southern areas by the evening. Remaining parts of England and Wales will have sunny periods with showers particularly in the west. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have blustery showers with snow over the hills but the gaies will moderate

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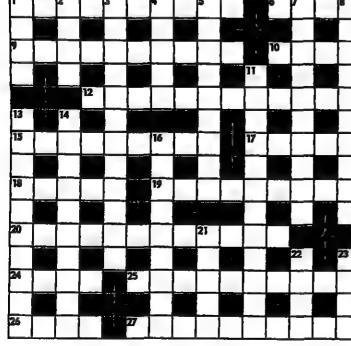
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Hundreds of minor accidents on icy roads throughout England and Wales were reported yesterday. AA Roadwatch said the conditions were "horrendous". In Bedfordshire police reported 30 accidents and in Buckinghamshire, the A41 was a "car graveyard" - a sheet of ice with numerous vehicles in ditches. More than 40 people were taken to hospital after 30 vehicles were involved in a pile-up on the northbound carriageway of the Ml at Crick, Northamptonsbire. Police said bad driving contrib-

uted to the accident which happened in perfect conditions. • Two climbers, both aged 26. survived after storm force winds blew them from mountain crass. They fell 400 feet into deep snow and survived almost unharmed on 3,000ft Helvellyn in the Lake

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#### THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,490



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- 18 Piscator skilfully shows what can be caught (5).
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#### PARKER DUOFOLD

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 18,489 will appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fountain pen supplied by Parker

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Concise crossword, page 15

The New Year bank holiday Jumbo Crossword appears tomorrow

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A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Howard

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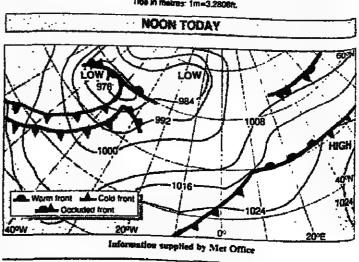
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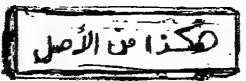
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**Executive Editor David Brewerton** 

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> PATRICK Sheehy, chairman of BAT Industries, is one of ten businessmen awarded a knighthood in the New Year's Honours List. The multi-lingual leader of

> the tobacco and insurance empire, which owns Eagle Star and Allied Dunbar, is to retire in 1993. He defended his company, which, 18 months ago, was the subject of a £13.5 billion takcover bid from Sir James Goldsmith, but succumbed to shareholder pressure to sell Argos, the store business, and Wiggins Teape, the paper company.

A knighthood also goes to one of Sir Patrick's former





City knights: Sir Patrick of BAT, Sir Eric of Trafalgar House, Sir Lewis of Triplex Lloyd, Sir David of the SIR, Sir Jeffrey of Price Waterbouse, Sir Sydney of the MMC lies and Mergers Commission merger policy in Europe, been chairman of SIB since Treasury. Eric Parker, group contributors to the Conser- the outspoken deputy chairand until recently deputy David Walker, chairman of 1988 and a director of the chief executive and deputy vative party. Sir Eric, who was man and chief executive of chairman of Allied Dunbar the Securities and Invest- Bank of England since 1982. chairman of Trafalgar House born and brought up in a Eurotunnel, receives a knightand a director of BAT. Sir ments Board and a fellow He is a non-executive director since 1983, also becomes a council house in Shrewsbury, hood. A spokesman for Sir Sydney has spoken out this regulator of the City, is simi- of National Power and spent knight. Trafalgar House is one is well known for his cellar of Alastair, who is on holiday in CBE, director of research at



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pleased with recognition of the great efforts that have gone into the achievement of the Channel tunnel so far." André Bénard, his French

counterpart, receives an an honorary knighthood but will not be entitled to call himself

Knighthoods also go to Jeffrey Bowman, senior part-ner at Price Waterhouse, the accountancy firm, since 1982, Colin Barker, chairman of the British Technology Group, Lewis Robertson, CBE, chairman of Triplex Lloyd, Jeremy Rowe, CBE, chairman of the Occupational Pensions Board and Professor John Cadogan, British Petroleum,

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By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

#### **Hong Kong** inflation 'should fall to 8.5%'

From LULU YU IN HONG KONG

INFLATION in Hong Kong should fall from double figures to 8.5 per cent next year, and the gross domestic product grow by 3.6 per cent in real terms, according to the Hong-kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

The bank expects a significant improvement for the Hong Kong economy, which the government said would grow by about 2.3 per cent this year. The Consumer Price Index is expected to average 9.7 per cent for this year.

Alan McLean, Hongkong Bank's chief economist, said the forecasts were on the assumption that oil prices next year were likely to be in the \$25-35 per barrel range, and that there would be a general slowdown in the world economy. He said Hong Kong's growth would be led by strong exports, especially goods, made in China, and increased private consumption.

Hong Kong recorded a sdp growth rate of 2.5 per cent last year, with inflation averaging 10.1 per cent.

Hong Kong had a trade deficit of HK\$268 million (£17.92 million) in the first 11 months, but its spectacular performance in re-exports, which account for more than 60 per cent of trade, may tip the balance by the end of the year. Re-exports are expected to rise by 12.5 per cent for the full year and domestic exports to fall by 0.5 per cent. Imports are forecast to rise by 8.7 per

Hong Kong's invisible trade has had a favourable balance for at least five years. The surplus grew to HK\$33.8 billion last year and is expected to be HK\$34.8 billion this year.

#### Video chain sold

XTRA-VISION, Northern Ireland's largest video chain, has been bought by a consortium of businessmen and some of its own managers. The sale also includes Network Leasing, the subsidiary that rents video tapes to outlets throughout Ireland. The chain's northern outlets have suffered attacks in recent

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borrowing will jump next year to DM280 billion from DM160 billion in 1990. In eastern Germany, more Retail Price Index: 130.0 (November) registering in the first ten months of this year.

# Job fears after merchant bank fees collapse

MERCHANT banks Charlotte. In 1989, there were have suffered a record 19 bids above £500 million. slump in fee income in 1990, as the value of public bids fell by 77 per cent to £11.9 billion. A wave of redundancies in corporate finance departments is likely unless business improves.

Fees for merger and soquisitions work in the City fell by more than three-quarters in the year, from a record £800 million in 1989 to an estimated £180 million, according to Acquisitions Monthly, the fell to its lowest level in seven

There were 139 bids for have deals dropping in their public companies in Britain this year, down from 187 in 1989. Only three were worth more than £500 million, Northern Telecom's offer for STC; the British Coal Pension Funds bid for Globe Invest- the bank that led the table last ment Trust; and Brierley In- year, has slipped to eighth

worth £1.52 billion. Last year, £26.2 billion. This included its work on the defence by BAT

The slump also hit com-panies on the Unlisted Securi-ties Market, where there were less than 100 deals, compared with an average of 350 over the last three years.

Philip Healey, editor of Acquisitions Monthly, said that merchant banks are already letting some senior staff leave quietly. "There is a great fear that unless the situation improves, there will be merchant bankers laid off for the first time in history," he said. Mr Healey said the banks specialist corporate finance most at risk were the recent magazine. Takeover activity arrivals in the City which did not have established client lists. "A lot of smaller houses laps in the last three years.

difficult now." The downturn has caused a shake-up in the league table of leading advisers. SG Warburg, vestments takeover of Mount place after doing 12 deals

#### 1990 M & A FINANCIAL ADVISERS IN UK PUBLIC TAKEOVERS

	No of deets	Vacan
Baring Brothers (15)	10	3,3
Morgan Grenfell (7)	14	2,4 2,2 2,0 1,91
Lazard Brothers (2)	18	22
Goldman Sachs (3)	3	2.0
Barclays de Zoute Wedd (18)	19	1,91
Schroders (6)	13	1,8
Samuel Montagu (13)	16	1,8 1,7 1,6 1,0
SG Warburg (1)	12	1,5
NM Rothschild (11)	7	1,0
Robert Fleming (17)	7	9
Hambrus Bank (5)	11	8
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Hill Beinnel (19)	8	9 8 8 7 6 3
Merrill Lynch (-)	2	3

place to second in the first year They are finding it most of ownership by Deutsche Bank. The bank worked on 14 deals valued at £2.48 billion. Gateway and BAT.

They have been replaced by a resurgence among British banks. Barclays de Zoete Wedd was the fastest rising house, moving to fifth place from nineteenth in 1989. BZW advised on 19 deals, the largest number in the year, including the Coal Funds' successful £1.1 billion offer for Globe. Robert Fleming and Hill Samuel regained the top 15, at tenth and fourteenth.

# Capel sees 2.2m jobless

THE deepening recession in Lamont, his of Britain will lead to the loss of James Capel. more than 400,000 jobs in the next.12 months, according to forecasts from economists at James Capel, the broker. The firm predicts that un-

employment will rise from its current level of just under 1.8 million to more than 2.2 million by next December. The cuts will be forced on companies as they attempt to reduce debt burdens accumulated in the Eighties. This will make 1991 "a very difficult year" for the prime

minister and Norman (average for year)

German call

to cut public

continuity in the economy.

With new public sector

borrowing expected to rise to

DM140 billion in 1991 from

DM115 billion in 1990, Bonn

must cut the deficits or face

Herr Haussmann said bud-

getary discipline should be

coupled with defence cuts,

monetary tightening.

By JONATHAN PRYNN Lamont, his Chancellor, says activity in the run-up to an

"The recession could not have come at a more inauspicious time either for Mr Major, who has to call a general election in the next 18 months, or Mr Lamont, who has to preside over a slump in

JOBLESS FORECAST (Increase in 1991) James Capel Phillips & Drew Goldman Sachs Bardeve

unchanged improving economic climate.

election," it adds. The broker says the traditional pre-election Budget spending boost should be ruled out as a stimulus of this kind would feed directly

through to the trade figures, leaving the pound vulnerable. Instead, Mr Lamont will concentrate on reducing interest rates, which should help produce a sharp fall in inflation. This would set the scene for a possible October general election, but leaving the option of June 1992 in an **Investors** flee US markets From PHILIP ROBINSON

IN NEW YORK

The year has been particu-BRITISH and Japanese inveslarly bad for the American tors have been deserting banks, with Shearson Leh-American shares and bonds at man, Bankers Trust and Wasear record levels during the serstein Perella dropping out of the first 15. Last year, they were fourth, eighth and first nine months of this year. welfth respectively, mainly due to their work on bids for

Even the Americans are more attracted to foreign mar kets than their own. Drawn by high interest rates and strong foreign currencies, they have bought a record amount of overseas debt in the first nine months of this year. According to Ivory & Sime

the Scottish investment manager, more problems than solutions are looming on Wall Street, now the second most expensive market in the world after Japan and selling at 14 times last year's earnings with little likelihood of profits growth this year.

American Securities Association figures show that if the selling trend has continued, by the end of 1990, non-Americans will never have owned fewer American equities and bonds by value. Purchases of American corporate debt will have fallen to their lowest levels in seven years.

Foreign investors had been net sellers of shares for eight consecutive months until July when it looked as though the trend had turned, but investors fled again in August on the worsening Middle East

The investors have sold \$9.2 billion worth of American shares so far this year. They bought a net \$10.8 billion in the same period in



managing director of Birmingham Mint, the coin maker, Tony Cross, the chairman, pictured above, are planning to advise shareholders not to accept the final 95p offer from IMI, the engineering group, even if the bidder secures 50

per cent acceptances. The increased IMI bid per cent stake in Birmingham response, IMI has expressed Mint by Dunedin, its largest surprise that Birmingham

Birmingham Mint claimed it was just hours away from securing "a significantly high-er offer" from a third party, thought to be Vereinigte Denstche Nickel-Werke, the German company, when the offer closes on January 18.

Mint was unable to tell the market in advance that it was holding discussions.

IMI controls almost 44 per cent of Birmingham Mint, including 38 per cent purchased directly in the market. The

# **New CBI fears of** industrial damage

British Industry says today.

CBI, agrees with the government that beating inflation is the economic task with the greatest priority next year.

He says that ouput, exports, productivity, investment and employment have all been at or near all-time highs this year, but that view alone does not reflect the marked downturn in the second half of the year which will continue into 1991".

Sir Brian says: "Retrenchment is a theme as businesses cut costs and try to improve done to our industrial base."

This links the downturn with the recession of the early Eighties, widely seen as having that effect, especially on manufacturing. Sir Brian's view is in line with the increasing pessimism among

He says that while the inflation rate is now falling, industry's major concern is to get it nearer to and keep it at the levels of Britain's European competitors.

• Strong support for the transfer of financial respon-

By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

BRITAIN risks further dam- the cost is one of the options age to its industrial base from being put to Michael Heselthe marked economic down- tine, the environment secturn, the Confederation of retary, for his poll tax review. A survey by the insitute of

In a new year message, Sir 200 of its members, found Brian Corby, president of the that 73 per cent were in favour

cash flows. There is a real risk that further damage will be

economic forecasters.

sibility for education from local to central government is given by business leaders, according to a survey pub-lished by the institute of Directors today. Transferring

of such a transfer. Half of those surveyed were content for businesses' contribution to local government finance stay the same, but 35 per cent would like it decreased.

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#### Japanese stand a £20bn From JOE JOSEPH IN TOKYdoes not go very far in Japan, entrance because bills are sent American Express says Japa

sector deficits JAPANESE businessmen HELMUT Haussmann, Gerspent 5,000 billion yen (£20 billion) on wining, during and teeing off with each other last many's outgoing economics minister, has called for quick cuts in public sector deficits year, according to Japan's tax to ensure dependability and

mathorities. This is more than the country spends annually on defence, which is a feat considering that only Washington and Moscow outspend Tokyo on defence.

It is hard for people who have never been entertained in Japan to fathom how an lower unification costs and army of corporate warriors increased privatisation. Ger-many's gross public sector that add up to more than the GNP of many poorer countries. It has a lot to do with Japan's dizzy prices, even more to do with the pivotal than 226,000 new businesses role of entertaining in Japa-

Just buying your round

where dinner with an important client can run to £250 a head and nearer to £1,000 with a really important client. A round of golf, including a

night at a local hotel to prepare for an early start, perhaps even the hiring of a helicopter, might set the host back £2,000. But at the end of the day, he will have traded in business contact for a lifelong golfing friend. Golf is extremely expensive. Even if the price is no problem, the CTOWES ATE.

Obligation demands that whoever paid the bill this time will be the guest next time, guaranteeing steady business for the mama-sans who preside over restaurants and exclusive bars. Some are so exclusive that a recommendation is needed to gain

to the office and settled without auibble. Whether at the dinner table or at the 19th hole, no

business is discussed. It is an occasion for getting to know each other. Japanese com-panies generally hold 14 tea-drinking sessions just to finalise next month's stationery order. Getting to sman from a company with whom one may be dealing for generations is treated as a serious

cluded in a report that "while a business lunch is a common form of entertainment in the United States and Europe, the cost of entertaining in Japan is extremely high and the management of such expenses is rather loose."

nese companies spend about three times as much on entertainment as their American counterparts and 15 times as much as British com-

The Y4,977 billion spent by Japanese firms on entertainment last year was 9.4 per cent higher than in the previous 12 months. The who sale industry spent Y891.1 billion and the construction industry Y866.2 billion. Belt-tightening is unlikely.

Entertainment expenses are regarded as a socially accepted supplement to junior workers' modest pay packets. Their bosses also prefer to spend company money securing corporate friendships cutting back, only to hand it over in higher corporate taxes.

#### MATSUSHITA has completed its \$6.13 billion offer for MCA, the American entertainments group that owns Hollywood's Universal Studios. The takeover is the biggest by a Japanese company in America. Matsushita speaks for 77,7 million MCA shares, or 97 per cent of outstanding shares. The Japanese electrical company said MCA would start operating as a wholly owned

subsidiary within two weeks. The completion followed rejections by two judges on Friday of late attempts to block the deal. The cases were viewed as the final hurdles to the takeover. The supreme court turned down a request by Go-Video to stop the deal. The maker of video cassette recorders had said the deal

broke anti-trust laws. In Los Angeles, a federal district judge rejected the claim by a shareholder who claimed Lew Wasserman. MCA chairman, was given preferential treatment. Mr Wasserman receives \$342 million in shares and a five-year contract for \$3 million a year to head the film, relevision.

record and theme park group. The plaintiff contended that shareholders were not offered the chance to swap their shares for Matsushita stock, as Mr Wasserman was The deal allows him to avoid paying about \$109 million in capital gains tax.

ceive \$66 a share in the tender offer. Stockholders also will receive shares in WWOR-TV, MCA's television station in Secauciis, New Jersey, valued by analysis at \$5 a share.

Other shareholders will

MCA shares closed on Fri-Teachers target, page 7 | day at \$69.125, up 62.5 cents.

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# Tunnel of dreams rescues disastrous year

**Matthew Bond** charts the thrills and spills of a year that most businessmen would prefer to forget, and bestows brickbats and bouquets on the winners of *The Times* Alternative **Business Awards** 

n financial terms at least, 1990 has been a year marked more by disaster than success.

Triumphs have been few and far between and, therefore, all the more worthy of celebration. Our m of the Year was not immune from the pressures that claimed a steadily growing list of casualties during the year. For 11 of the 12 months of the year, he, too, sailed perilously close to massive financial disaster.

But then, shortly after 11 o'clock on December 1, failure turned to success. The Channel tunnel, a dream for more than 200 years, had become a reality. It was an occasion marked in curious fashion, with puzzled television viewers watching a khaki-clad French derrière becoming firmly stuck in the narrow, but historic hole that now joined Britain and continental Europe.

Thank heaven, though, for different weather on either side of the Channel. The strong winds, that for the very first time blew under the sea rather than over it, rescued the occasion from falling into

So, for making the hairs on the backs of millions of television viewers' necks stand on end, this knighted Alastair Morton, chief executive of Eurotunnel, developer of the Channel tunnel project. As only he can, Sir Alastair spent 1990 successfully jack-hammering himself, and the project, out of the financial hole that threatened to bury them both. Now armed with £2.1 billion of new loans and more than £500 million of fresh equity, he and the project look assured of success, at least in getting it finished. Getting it working will be another matter, and may result in a rather different prize in the 1993 awards.

Runner-up to Sir Alastair was Anthony Tennant, who continued to show that indemnities are not a pre-requisite for making money out of Guinness shares. A smoole mentary award for Bravest Businessman of the Year goes to Paul Reichmann, president of Olympia & York.

Sir Alastair and Mr Reichmann take big risks. The difference is that Mr Reichmann - in the main risks his own money. During the year, it became clear that the Reichmann family had invested more than £1 billion in the towering Canary Wharf development in London's Docklands.

Shortly before the end of the year, the Reichmanns finally offloaded £500 million of that debt on to ten banks, but then promptly signalled their intention to invest the recouped money into phases two and three of the project. To carry on building huge amounts of office snace in the face of the worst property market for decades is one of the greatest counter-cyclical gambles London has ever seen. Our award is for bravery, others will doubtless have alternative

Recycled Certificate for the Environmentalist of the Year Informed sources are already tip-



ping Friends of the Earth or Greenpeace as possible takeover targets in 1991. Doing the bidding, of course, will be Sir James Goldsmith, who announced he was giving up a lifetime of corporate deal-making to concentrate on saving the environment. Goldsmith watchers are

Noting that Sir James marked his retirement by selling his forest products company to Hanson, dealers now expect Sir James to move back into timber at a bargain basement price. A multibillion dollar break-up bid for the Amazon rain forest is expected in

The Andy Warhol Award for Most Notable Brief Appearance In the junior section, the prize goes to Spencer Trethewy, the 19-year-old property developer who

'Morton spent 1990 successfully jack-hammering himself, and the project, out of the huge financial

hole that threatened to bury them both'

"rescued" Aldershot football club with a £200,000 cash injection. Mr Trethewy's directorship was suspended in November, after it was suggested that what money he

had put into the club had been borrowed from a fellow director. Winner of the senior award is Jeff Reynolds, the Texan businessman, who claimed in January that he was going to rescue the ailing Bond Corporation by a cash injection of £121 million.

Less than two weeks later, it became clear that Mr Revnoids was one cowboy who would not be riding to Mr Bond's rescue.

Silver Spoon for Long-term Investor of the Year Three years after the stock market crash stymied a £767 million bid for Berisford, ABF's Garry Westou finally got his hands on British Sugar, Berisford's most prized possession. In December, Berisford announced that it was selling British Sugar to ABF for £880

ABF some consolation for the losses it has incurred on its 23 per cent stake in Berisford. However, there was no such consolation for Larry Goodman, the Irish beef baron. The losses he made on his Berisford stake prompted his bankers to call time.

Short-term Investor of the Year Asil Nadir, chairman of Polly Peck International, picks up this award for his brief attempt to take Polly Peck private. On August 12, Mr. Nadir unexpectedly announced plans to bid for Polly

The news put 50p on the price of Polly Peck shares, which closed that Monday at 448p. But six days later the shares were in reverse as Mr Nadir, apparently bowing to pressure from institutional share-holders, withdrew his bid.

news. Polly Peck shares were eventually suspended a month later at 108p.

Penntoner of the Year In the retail sector, it was a year of notable farewells. Sir Ralph Halpern, of Burton Group, finally called it a day. His only compense tion was £1.4 million in deferred bonuses, £600,000 compensation for loss of office and a pension for life of £456,000 a year. There was

not a dry eye in the house. Sir Ralph narrowly won from Philip Birch, former chairman of Ward White, the retail conglomerate that was taken over by Boots last year for £900 million. After a legal battle, Mr Birch eventually settled for a £2 million pay-off and

a £350,000 a year pension. Third place went to Sir Terence Conran, who had what football commentators would describe as "a nightmare" in 1990. Not only did he step down from the chair at Storehouse in May, but he also ended the year watching his pet property project, Butlers Wharf, go into administrative receivership with debts of more than £50

However, judging by the Christmas queues at the Conran Shop, which he bought from Storehouse for £3.5 million, Sir Terence could live to fight another day.

Poisoued Chalice Award To Lawrence Cooklin, who succeeded Sir Raiph Halpern as chief executive of Burton Group. The Steve McQueen Christma

Ephraim Margulies. The Charles Saatchi Award for

Who Is Not Working. There has not been much for Charles and Maurice Saatchi to smile about this year — nor, indeed, for their new third frère Robert Louis-Dreyfus, who now runs the loss-making advertising

But just before Christmas, there

Sources are tipping Friends of the Earth or

Greenpeace as possible takeover targets. Doing the bidding, of course, will be Sir James Goldsmith'

was news that must have brought them more than a little seasonal cheer. At the hitherto unstoppable WPP, Martin Sorrell, the former Saatchi finance director, was forced to pass WPP's interim

The Str Robert Armstrong Award for Company Announcements
Step forward Citygrove, the erstwhile property developer. On July 9, after its share price had, in two days, moved first sharply lower and then equally sharply higher, the company issued the following

The company does not know of any reason why these fluctua-tions occurred. It believes that its share price is at an excessively

high discount to last reported net asset value. Although it is finding trading difficult at the current time, the company is considering

certain measures which will assist development of core business." Woolf, chairman and chief executive, resigned. A further statement from the company warned of substantial losses. On August 24, KPMG Peat Marwick McLintock

was appointed receiver. Apart from those minor events, there was, of course, no reason for the share price to move.

The Directory Enquiries Award for Best Use of the Telephone Goldman Sachs, the American owned securities house, has won this award but has yet to be

company of its success, no one answered the telephone. Share dealers had similar problems in June, at the expiry of index traded options and futures contracts. As the contracts expired, there

was confusion in the underlying equity market, most notably at Goldman Sachs, which at one stage had its screens displaying market makers were selling at, When dealers rang to take

advantage of Goldman's largesse, many complained that their calls were left mysteriously unanswered. A week later, an International Stock Exchange enquiry found Goldmans not guilty of riseins the market

**Boxing Comebacks** 

No real competition here. The prize goes to George Walker, who struggled back on to his feet after being out on the canvas for one of the longest counts in the corporate game. Now back in full training, but presumably keen to avoid a rematch until fully fit.

Red Braces (Faces?) Award for Deal of the Year To Kleinwort Benson, for the single trade in Premier Consoli-

dated shares which wiped out half group profits for 1990.

Other strong contenders for the cherished award were Legal & General, Commercial Union, Accident, and Chase

Manhattan, which all bought stakes in Levitt a few months before its collapse. Highly commended, however, must be Berisford's decision to invest in New York property, which at the last count had cost Berisford more than \$400 million and brought the company to its knees.

Indeed, Berisford would have won the award but for a judge's ruling that although the full scale of the damage only became apparent this year, the fateful investment decision was made some

Sale of the Century Prize To Prudential Assurance, for the disposal of its estate agency chain that cost it three years and £330 million to assemble. In July, the Prudential announced it was closing 175 offices and axing 500 staff. Mick Newmarch, chief executive,

'To carry on building office space in the worst property market for decades is one of the greatest counter-cyclical gambles London

said: "We are reacting to events in what we regard as the most appropriate way. You would hardly expect us to sit on our

has ever seen'

Six months later, Mr Newmarch got off his hands again to dumbfound the City by announcing that the Prudential was to sell the 500 remaining branches. The Pru is expected to recoup about £80 million from the sale.

The Golden Abacus Award for Services to Auditing Stoy Hayward, Britan's tenth largest firm of accountants, which

spent 1990 watching its clients fall by the wayside. The casualties included Sock

Shop, Citygrove, Astra Holdings,

and Polly Peck. It finished up, once again in the firing line, as auditor to the Levitt Group. To top it all, in November, its American associate Laventhol Horwath went bankrupt. Next year can only be better. The Keith Best Award for

Park a Springer

Broadening and Deepening Share

To the retired property developer who, quite legally, put in more than £100,000 to the electricity float and never saw a single share.

Scoop of the Year
To Her Majesty's Stationery Office which in May published the
Monopolies and Mergers Commission report that blocked the
Kingfisher bid for Dixons.

published the report one day before the Department of Trade and Industry expected it to. This mistake landed the DTI with a £575,000 bill to compensate institutions which had dealt in the shares not knowing the report was Mushroom Grewers School of

Management Award for How Not to Treat Your Shareholders

the frame for this one, with details of Brent Walker's £103 million convertible bond issue conspicuonsly thin on the ground. What details there were took a long time in coming. But the outright winner has to be Irving Scholar of Tottenham

Hotspur, who not only failed to tell shareholders about the talks he held with Robert Maxwell over the summer, but also failed to inform his fellow directors. Subsequently, he was shown the red card and banned from the boardroom. The Cuckoo Clock Award for

Robin Power, chairman of Power

Corporation. In April, Mr Power let it be known that he was going into business with Donald Trump, the American billionaire. Together they planned to bring the Trump Tower concept to London. Two weeks later, Mr Trump announced the first of the emergency asset sell-offs that were to keep him busy for the rest of the

#### **American Express** Personal Reserve Overdraft Account

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# Winds of change blow through Lloyd's

THE year at Lloyd's began and ended with storms. The different in character, and both are likely to have long-term consequences for

In January, the windstorm that, after 1987, was not supposed to happen for another 200 years blew through Britain and northern Europe. Although an exceptional event in itself, it was only one in a long succession of natural and man-made catastrophes since 1987 that are now certain to send

excess of loss (LMX) market, an area of business in which most Lloyd's non-marine syndicates had become involved during the relatively disasterfree years of the early and mid-Eighties. But as the year progressed and the catastrophe loss estimates mounted, increasing numbers of syndicates either withdrew

this safety net direct insurers and primary reinsurers were forced to face up to the harsh reality of taking catastrophe risks on to their own books. The result? Insurance premium rates spiralled 300 to 400 per cent and there was a great deal of panic during the policy renewal season in the final weeks of the year. This was the second great storm to hit Lloyd's during 1990.

For the optimists, including David Coleridge, the incoming chairman of the 303-year-old society, the hardening reinsurance rates mark the Lloyd's into losses for the start of the next great upswing 1988 and 1989 years, and in all of the insurance cycle. For probability, 1990 as well pessimists, the already punch-The storm hastened the drunk market was dealt blows virtual demise of the London by the events of 1990 from which it may never fully

of other evidence to suggest that the problems at Lloyd's run so deep that an unprecedented period of reform will be required if it is to retain its position in global insurance. Virtually every week brought news of disputes and litigation from LMX, were taken over between names and members or simply folded. Deprived of and managing agencies as well scared off potential members. agents by



Weathering the storms: David Coleridge, of Lloyd's as continuing name resigna- Central to the future prosper-

tions. Although they were not type that scarred the market in the early Eighties, the steady drip feed of bad news has undoubtedly demoralised many existing names and ing agents and members

ity of the market is finding a "malpractice" stories of the solution to the open years

problem. The last 12 months have seen writs served for negligent underwriting against manag-

names, who are all facing huge losses, largely as a result of American pollution-related claims. These highly complicated cases will trundle on further highly unwelcome Nevertheless, the wider

open years problem came a step closer to resolution towards the end of the year when Lloyd's announced it was setting up a specialist reinsur-ance vehicle to quote rates for closing open years. Sceptics deride the move as a sticking plaster to cover a gaping wound. They claim that only the abandonment of unlimited liability itself will provide a long-term answer to the market's inability to attract new capital. This one

will, as they say, run and run, Happily, 1990 saw no repprevious years, when a looser regulation regime allowed the dividing line between market

invisibility. Despite all the negative

steady stream of modernisations, reforms and improvements of market practice, such as the the introduction of personal lines at the usual snail's pace for the first time in Lloyd's throughout 1991, providing history when some motor syndicates began offering their products direct to the public. Another significant move was the link-up with Sun Alliance in a bid to secure new business in Europe, widely seen at Lloyd's as the market's future. Many welcome the election of David Coleridge and his radical vision of an internationally competitive Lloyd's.

Even so, 1990 will not be remembered as a particularly happy year in Lime Street. It ended on a sour note with public claims from one group of names that "Lloyd's stinks" and the depressing news that losses from the savings and loans debacle in America may ention of the scandals of hit Lloyd's on a large scale.

Lloyd's remains one of the most mysterious and tradition-bound institutions in practice and sharp practice to Britain. It must adapt to become blurred to the point of survive.

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Ten-year-olds are crossing the Channel and immersing themselves in another tongue.

Hugh Thompson on the language of success

achael Knowland, aged ten, left her farmhouse home in Suffolk and went to live at Mathilde Charnot's home in Normandy for six months. She came back after spending a term at Mathilde's school in France, fluent in French and considerably more confident.

For the next six months, Mathilde was a guest at Rachael's house and spent a term at the local Debenham primary school. Both girls belong to the 50 families a year who, for the past 12 years, have been taking part in the most radical foreign exchange scheme. En Famille intends to link not just children, but families.

The organisation was set up in 1978 when Jaques Pinault, an English teacher from Bordeaux whose wife is English, decided that the exchanges took place too late in children's lives and did not last iong enough to have an "immersion" effect. He set up an exchange system initially designed for ten-year-olds, but now available for nine to 12-year-olds.

Eleonora Knowland, Rachael's mother, heard about the scheme from a friend. "It seemed a great opportunity," she says. "I believe it is very important to learn European languages. The sooner you do it, the easier it is. Rachael is very outgoing and her school

was approving, so the deal was on.
"We get on so well with
Mathilde's family that not only
have the two children spent that
first year together but they also spent all last summer together. We have been over to stay with them and next February we are all going skiing. I would like my younger son, Tim, to do the exchange, but he is not interested. Only a certain kind of child can take it.

"Rachael hated the first two months and although I had a few quaims about sending her off, we knew that if it were really bad we could fish her out. In the beginning, she preferred the school to the family because this put her

Maria Hearl is the chairman of En Famille in England and the deputy head of Tiverton comprehensive in Devon. The organisation, which is non-profitmaking charges £300 for every exchange to cover administration, travel expenses for the agents, telephone bills and a gift to the host school. Families involved pay their travel expenses themsleves and their guests' expenses.

Mrs Hearl says: "At present we have 32 children from Britain and ten from Ireland on the scheme. More French than English fam-ilies are interested. The scheme is not for every child or every family. Some families pull back when they realise that for six months they will be adopting another child who cannot speak English.

"We make everyone interested fill in a detailed form to make them realise what is involved. Every family is interviewed. Some schools worry about the disruptive effect of a small child who does not speak English and may be

When Alex, Mrs Hearl's nineyear-old son, played host to Bruno from Paris, his teachers at Cowley Moor primary worried about the disruptive element the French child's extra needs would have. "However," Mrs Hearl says, "after four weeks, Bruno started to communicate. In the end the school admitted he was a joy to

'Some people may think that sending children of that age away is terrible'

have and added greatly to the class

"Three-quarters of the children in the scheme go to state schools. Some people may think that to send children of that age away for six months is terrible, but children go to boarding schools when they are eight," she says. "The scheme



insists the parents travel with their children. It is all right, if parents, after experiencing the other family first-hand, take their children home with them, with no exchange having taken place."

One problem is that families do

not always maintain contact, but En Famille has a scheme that tries to bring "orphan" families together, so they keep up the connection with the other country. Mrs Knowland says: "We were lucky in that we have a lot in common with the Charnots. We are both farming families and we are very open type of people."

representative of the scheme, says:
"We first heard of it through a
cousin who had read about it and sent her daughter. This girl was very allergic and we thought it would be a disaster. In fact, it was great success.
"So we talked about it with our

daughter, Rachel. It all went so well with her that my son, David, is exchanging in September with the same family.

"When I interview interested families, I make sure they are aware of what they are doing. I have five children and work as a

'For the children who can handle this kind of separation I must be in favour'

childminder, but I found having a child in the family who spoke not a word of English stressful and frustrating. I could never be sure that I was doing the

When Rachel went to France, she was terribly homesick. I found out later that she hardly spoke a single word for her first six weeks in France. Now she speaks French without a trace of accent. "Maelie, the child she ex-changed with, was the opposite.

She could not stop trying to talk.
"The only family with which I have been involved that was turned down was because of the school report. This is an im-portant part of the assessment. In this case, the boy involved was very disruptive at his English school, so we did not see how he

was going to cope in France."
Chris Bishop, the headmaster of
Sir Robert Hitchams primary school in Debenham, where the Country and Knowland families sent their children, says: "For the minority of children who can handle this kind of separation and experience, I must be in favour. But it is not for everyone." ● En Famille, Farthing, Twyford Place, Tiverson, Devon EX16 6AP.

# cane system

BRITAIN'S first No Smacking Week, which starts today, is the prelude to a campaign to ban caning in independent schools. Corporal punishment was outlawed in the state system four

Epoch, the pressure group behind both initiatives, estimates that more than 50 schools still use the cane or some form of corporal punishment. The group wants the Children's Act, which will ban physical punish-ment in private children's homes, extended to cover independent schools.

At present, the schools can cane pupils so long as their fees are not paid by the state and their parents do not object. Many have already abolished corporal punishment, but some advertise the fact that they have

#### New goals

THE NUMBER of teachers using the government's placement service to gain experience of business and industry more than doubled during 1990. A total of 15,241 used the scheme, almost two-thirds spending a

working week out of school. Perhaps the most unusual came in the last week of the Christmas term, when Peggy Sleight, a primary advisory teacher, spent a week with Leeds United football club. She studied the club as a business examined its work with local youth and helped with a match-day creche.

#### Paper fame

CHILDREN from the Glapton primary school, in Nottingham, are claiming a world record for a paper chain. They spent three days making the 500m-long chain with 5,000 links. Parts are being sold to raise nearly £300 for needy children.

#### Name fame

PROFESSOR Malcoim Hart, the Polytechnic South West geologist whose research in microfossils was used to check the path of the Channel tunnel, has had a newly identified species named after him. Found 60 years ago near Plymouth's Eddystone lighthouse, Para-trochammina harti has been given its name by scientists at

Beating the hatural History Museum. Professor Hart says: "I have given official names to a number of species myself, but I have never before had one named after me. It is a great

#### String thing

A YOUNGER class of student will be enrolling at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester next month. Weekly lessons will be given to 25 six-year-olds recruited from



the local community by a team of experienced tutors and postgraduate students. The scheme, modelled on similar ventures in Finland and Texas, is intended to provide new opportunities for the very young, and to improve the training of aspiring teachers of music.

Rodney Slatford, the head of the school of strings, says:
"This is a response to declining standards in string teaching within our educational system and to the long-held view that conservatoires do little to train

#### Top switch

ONE PARKES will replace another on the Leeds to London run next April. No sooner will Sir Edward Parkes, the vice-chancellor of Leeds university, reach the end of his term of office as the chairman of the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals than Lady Parkes will begin a three-year stint in the chair of the National Council for Educational

Technology.
Sir Edward will be replaced on the committee by Graeme Davies, the vice-chancellor of Liverpool university, who beat Bristol's Sir John Kingman in an election this month. Professor Davies, a 53-year-old New Zealander, has reached the chairmanship in record time. He became a vice-chancellor only four years ago.

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Eve game against Llanelli, to-day. Four Bath internationals day. Four Bath internationals also took the day off, but there was much more fire and panache in their approach in the difficult conditions, and they

and Webb peppering the Swan-sea defence with garryowens or huge kicks to touch in the first half. Bath seemed set for a bigger

scrum to barge over the line.

Stuart Davies, their No. 8. But they could not maintain their impetus and Ojomoh repeated

his earlier trick, darting over

ignoring the problems of a greasy ball, Bath produced a

from the back of a serum

# Neath finally meet their match in relentless Newport

never let up, and on a day

That Neath were reduced to

By GERALD DAVIES

NEWPORT served notice, in when the rain never relented the most emphatic manner they won a thrilling victory by yet, that they are merely ticking off such fag-end days as are left to them in the first division of the Heineken

I essue before they emerge League before they emerge ble absentees - Thorburn and where they rightly belong, in Laity, for instance - might the premier division, next suggest they were not unwill-ing to sacrifice a game before

They are, against inferior the more urgent commitment they are, against interior the more urgent commitment of the cup in a fortnight's time but on Saturday they came face to face with Wales's supreme team of the last four years, themselves unbeaten in the norming division.

Newport, in flexing their Newport, in flexing their muscles in their most visible and rippling display so far, brought to a halt Neath's roller-coaster run of 51 high-speed successes against Welsh club opposition since losing to Lianelli in October 1989.

In front of the biggest crowd at Rodney Parade for many vears. Newport's early release

That Neath were reduced to 14 players after eight minutes of the second half might suggest that the victory was not entirely of Newport's own making and that they were assisted on their way. Not so, They were always in full command and were already 12-3 in the lead when Mariya vears. Newport's early release

years, Newport's early release Morris was sent off. His high,

Dismissal compounds Waldron's problems

bration.

MARTYN Morris, who won his second half at Rodney Parade, seventh cap against the Barbarians in October, will be unavailshie for selection by Wales against England after being sent off during Neath's defeat by Newport on Saturday (David Hands writes).

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Since Morris, a blind-side flanker, looked an almost certain choice for Wales's first five nations' championship match. on January 19, it is yet another immense setback for Ron Waldron, the national team

Morris, a police officer, whose consistent form has been one of cheering factors for Waldron this season, was sent off by Derek Bevan, the inter-

Taken in conjunction with the loss of Mark Jones to rugby league since the international against the Barbarians, and the unavailability of Phil Davies, the Lianelli No. 8, it leaves Male construction and post book Wales constructing a new back row with time running out.

Waldron heard the latest gloony ridings after watching Lyndon James playing for Glamorgan Wanderers against South Wales Police, James, a No. 8 who has been a member of the Welsh B squad, has been playing for Cognac in France for the last three seasons, but now finds himself under consid-

of frantic energy and full-frontal assault gave Neath a taste of their own strong medicine. The home side Neath, uncharacteristically, were on their heels from the start. Apart from a brief visit to Newport's 22 early on, the visitors' line suffered a constant barrage of assaults. Sagoe, twice, nearly went over, as did Bidgood. Scrum fol-lowed scrum, but Neath's descrice was unbending. The first points came from a penalty goal by Turner.

There was no release as Newport tore again towards the line. Llewellyn finally charged his way over from one of the numerous rucks on the Neath line: Turner converted. Perry's clear deflection and the swift transfer by Llewellyn gave Turner the space for his dropped goal.

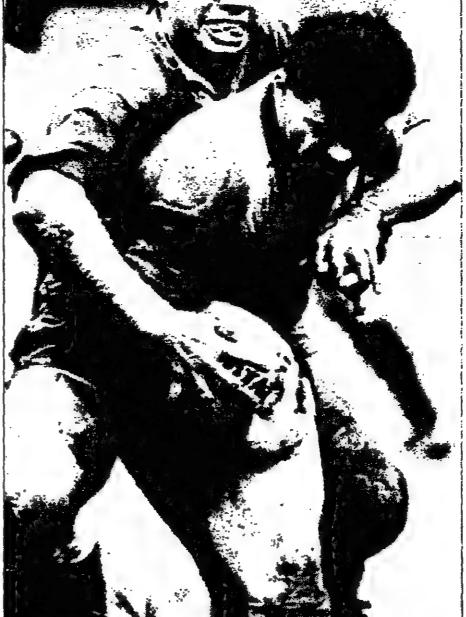
Apart from Bird's penalty goal, the visitors had not had a shiff of a chance. The boot was on the other foot for a change.

When Neath were left a man short it only reinforced what had appeared to be inevitable in the second half. Yendle's long run out of defence and a chip ahead established the scrum near the Neath line from which Turner, noting the space wide out, chipped to the corner for Callard to win the touch-down.

touch-down.

The stand-off half, who had been a canny influence throughout, kicked another penalty goal before Bird, charging down Yendle's kick, won the race for Neath's try.

SCORERS: Newport: Trice: Liswellyn, Calart, Conversion: Turner. Penalty goels: Turner (2). Bropped goel: Turner. Reads: Try: Stri. Penalty goel: Strd.



Man and bail: Paul Edwards, of Cardiff, takes a grip on Darren Briant, of Harlequins, during the match at the Arms Park on Saturday. Cardiff won 9-0, with Mark Rayer, the full back, scoring all the points with three penalty goals. Harlequins were without their London divisional players.

# Swansea hopes submerged by fluent Bath By BRYAN STILES national players and save the for their irrelational New York

Swansea RICHARD Hill and Robert
Jones, two of the best scrum
halves around, would have prehalves around, would have pretwo bave but off meeting

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deserved their victory.

With Hill, Callard, Barnsey ferred to have put off meeting until England and Wales open their international account at Cardiff Arms Park a fortnight next Saturday, With leagur and

aext Saturday. With leagur and cup games seemingly the only matches that matter these days, both would have been happier having a day off and watching from the stand.

But Hill decided he had to play because his employers were sponsoring this match at the Recreation Ground on Saturday, and Jones was forced to take the field when White went off injured 20 minutes from the off injured 20 minutes from the Swansea started the second half with a rush and a fine try by

If they are selected to face each other at Cardiff, then Hill will start with a psychological advantage, having guided his team to a decisive victory by three goals, two tries and a penalty goal to a try. Despite the slippery ball, greasy putch and heavy showers, he displayed a heavy showers, he displayed a series of delightful handling defit touch with his tactical moves which brought tries for and sniping runs close to his forwards.

Batth produced a series of delightful handling moves which brought tries for Battley and Webb, who fin-shed with 17 points.

With the score at 21-4 when he went on, Jones could do little to stem the tide, standing out like a Persil-white target in a morass of mud-spattered players, He attracted heavy tackles like a magnet, and will be hoping for better protection if he does make the Wales team.

With only pride riding on the outcome of this game, Swansea decided to rest seven inter-

### Leinster fall to Finau

Australian Schools... THE touring Australian schoolboys received their most severe test so far at Donnybrook yesterday, held by Leinster Schools to a margin of two goals, two tries and a penalty goal to a goal, a try and a penalty goal.

Leinster Schools ........ 13 the players who overwhelmed Welsh Schools 44-0 until Finau came on in the second half. He then scored two tries which effectively put the game beyond reach of the Leinster boys, five of whom will play for Irish Schools against the touring side in Limerick on Saturday.

## Bristol warm to the task as Collings excels on return

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BEFORE Saturday's game at the Memorial Ground, Bristol could hardly have possessed a more average record: won nine, lost nine. However, they will go into the new year heartened by a offered the hardy speciators a better game than they had the right to expect in conditions which persuaded the referee to

end eight minutes early.
Perhaps the West Countrymen were cheered by the return of Paul Collings. The back-row man, aged 23, had not played in the senior side since April because of a chronic knee condition and he was chosen at condution and ne was chosen at blind-side flanker rather than his familiar No. 8 position. Since injury to Julian Davis forced him to play much of the match as an open-side, Collings came through with considerable credit, spart from scoring the opening try in his club's win by two goals, a try and a penalty goal to Livesey's penalty goal.

It has not been the best of seasons for either club: Bristol's which produced their opening two league victories leave them

and Moseley. Richmond have won only twice in the second division, a record belying their

Both fielded reasonably repre-sentative XVs, however, and if Richmond could have laid their hands on better primary pos-session, they might well bave for the line from a maul, but offered more to the scoreline. Bristol did score a third: Rich-They were bereft at the lineout in the first half, though a muchviciously-cold wind and rain, improved return in the second, drive over. added to the advantage of the wind at their backs, produced a more even contest after Bristol

By that stage, Bristol had used both their replacements: Davis damaged an ankle sufficiently badly to require an x-ray, and be had not gone behind Livesey. is unlikely to play again for three weeks. Knibbs limped off at the interval, to be followed a few minutes later by Lamb, the Richmond No. 8, with a shoul-

only just above relegation-haunted Liverpool St, Helens and it ended in the far corner with Collings.
Eves, Bristol's captain, fea-

tured strongly in the second try too; he supported Knibbs faith-fully before the ball moved right for Johnston to cross for his first try in Bristol's colours. Eves was

Richmond's best moment came when Jasprizza and Fowler established some lineout hall from which they could work had not gone behind Livescy.

There are plans for warm-

weather training in Lanzarote in February for Bristol — that, though, must have seemed a

# Waterloo pressure Imposing Andrew provides eventually pays

By MICHAEL STEVENSON

Waterlap Sheffield.

THE Sheffield backs dem-onstrated periodically at Blundelisands why they are one of three northern clubs still in the Pilkington Cup. But, just like the old days, it was the Waterloo

lied, especially in the maul, and 15 points from their stand-off half, Cropper, accounted for a scrambled victory by a try, four penalty goals and a dropped goal to a try and three penalty goals. Sheffield's fine wings, Saul and their prolific goal-kicker, Rodgers, impressed, but fire-power up front was lacking and they spent a fair amount of the match moving backwards.

Cropper missed with a pen-alty altempt but immediately his brilliant 35-metre dropped goal made amends before another penalty chance was squandered, Sheffield counter-

attacked on both wings, and they levelled when Peters was caught lifting Wilkinson, Rodgers kicking the goal.
Cropper snatched back the lead for Waterloo via an upright, but Rodgers's second penalty

goalmade it 6-6 at the interval, shortly after a superb move, sparked by Fay and developed by Hodgson, Davison and Kaye, had fashioned Shelfield's best

chance of a try.
On the resumption.
Connors's slick scissors with Tickle almost made a try for Cooper, and Cropper was astray with two more penalty attempts before Waterloo's try suddenly materialised. Tickle, receiving at outside centre, chipped ahead, and the ball rebounded off a Sheffield player to Wilde,

who fed Bracegirdle.
From the restart, Tickle, with oceans of time to clear, had his kicked charged down by Watson, who hacked on to make it 10-10, but the closing stages saw Waterloo's pressure intensify, bringing three more penalty goals from Cropper. Rodgers kicked a late penalty goal for Sheffield.

Sheffield.

Dropped goak Cropper. Pensiky goals: Gropper (4). Sheffield: Try: Wesson. Pensiky goals: Rodgers.

WATERLOO: J Tokle: S Bracegirde, N HB, I Bibbits. D Wilso: J Cropper, P McCaughreen: S Pesens, P Hackett, J Mchaly (rep: S Turner). P Cooper, P White. N Williamson, K Brockman, L Corvor.

SHEFFIELD: J Morley: G Stail. D Fardough, R Mosss, A Challoner, N Carler, D Wisson, D Kaye, A Mazulis, S Hodgeon, W Davison.

Referee: P Thompson (Northumberland).

Wasps.....

TWO events, one occurring at Newport and the other ten miles up the valley at Newbridge, on a day of inciement weather South Wales, seem destined to have a profound impact upon the Wales-England inter-

national in 19 days time. While the Welsh international flanker, Martyn Morris, was being sent off playing for Neath at Newport, a dismissal which will rule him out of the inter-national, Rob Andrew, the man he would surely have been targeting, was stamping his illus-trious ability on this match.

It was a moment of delightful irony that as Morris, a respected flanker of international quality, was putting himself out of contention. Andrew was emphasising that subduing him must be an essential ingredient in any Welsh game-plan.

Andrew's work throughout this match, played in quite appalling conditions, had the skilled precision of a craftsman. he enjoyed a perspicacity as to imperiously fro his task. In defence he was as gles each time.

WEEKEND RESULTS

a warning for the Welsh solid and imposing as the towersoil and imposing as he tower-ing hills which overlook the Welfare Ground, yet there was a vision and demonstration of all-round skills which have been the preserve of precious few England stand-off halves.

His handling of the slippery ball was immaculate, and he was influential in three of Wasps' four tries. Those who have shuddered at the thought of certain past English stand-off halves facing the Welsh in halves facing the Weish in Cardiff should have been calmed and reassured by this display.

Wasps, condemned to defend wasps, cond

a match of excellent enterlainment, broke out seriously just twice before the interval. They scored each time.

After Williams's early penalty goal for Newbridge, Andrew's up-and-under, the ideal tactic on so grim a day, caused trouble in the home defence and a poor fly-back flew straight to Ho who scored. Four minutes later. spinning kick along the top of the mud towards the Newbridge line, the defence again erred and Childs was first to the loose ball to score. Andrew converted imperiously from difficult an-

Newbridge, fortified by their excellent back row and a well-organised lineout, fought back to 13-12 with tries by Rees and Harries, the latter's nineteenth of the season. But the loss of Taylor, the Newbridge No. 8. was then critical and Wasps, for whom the wily Probyn helped Simmonds to acquire four tightheads, regained the lead when Andrew and Harris out Bonney in at the corner. Harris added a pushover try in the final minute.

NEWERLDGE: J Westwood; A Harries, I Hill, R Brown, S Wilstra; D Rees, F Williams (rap: S Cheshirs); D Crans, I Shadil, N Hishmon, D Roberts, A Allen, Collins, P Crans, H Taylor (rap: S Griffiths).

WASPB: S Pilgrim; J Bonney, G Childs, R Lozowski, P Hopley; R Andraw, C Hormang, P Renasil. A Semenonde, J Protyn, M Rose, R Kinsey, C Panegar, M Rigby, M Herns. Referent M Balley (Loughor).

Stuart Hughes, the Liverpool St Helens second-row forward, was sent off in the second half of Orrell for a high tackle. Hughes had been previously warned by the referee. Martin Ramsden.

# Inspired Edinburgh halt South's roll

South of Scotland ..... 20

AFTER five seasons, Edinburgh remain South's bogy team. Hav-ing swept aside the other three districts this year, South, al-ready the McEwan's champions, almost foundered against a reinvigorated Edinburgh. In the

the desire to re-establish their pack, with a makeshift back row, just about took the honours in the forwards.

classic break. The stand-off was stopped just short of the Edinburgh squared it. Stopped just short of the Edinburgh income stepped just short of the Edinburgh ficient support from his forwards for Armstrong to put Marshall, etc. South had scored through for Allingham, the Edinburgh a scrum half, to create the first try with a clever kick down the marrow side. Moore, the Scotland wing, showed his new confidence by taking the ball on the full before racing over.

Moore seems certain to be named for the senior side for Saturday's trial mutch at Murrayfield, and there could be a place for Mark Moncrieff, the young wing who came into the South team as a late replace-David Sole was much nearer David Sole was much nearer his international form, and the return of Jeremy Richardson, playing an all-round forward game, inspired the other Ediaburgh pack, Richardson's mauling strength provided the ball for Allingham, the Edinburgh scrum half, to create the first try with a clever kick down the starrow side. Moore, the Scotland wing, showed his new confidence by taking the ball on the full before racing over.

ment for Stanger. Moncrieff finished off South's best handling movement, started with a quick throw-in by Dods. Chalmers made the try with a classic break. The stand-off was stopped just short of the Edinburgh line but received sufficient support from his

goals by Dods, who finished the championship as top scorer with 52 points, took the score to 17-16 before South went ahead four minutes from full-time with Moncrieff's try. A late penalty goal by Wyllie squared it.

#### Analo Scots 3 Glescow 20 Edinburgh Schweppes Weish Cup Fourth round

recinvigorated Edinburgh. In the end, they were a shade fortunate to care a draw.

Edinburgh's transformation in Saturday's final championship match at Murrayfield, after inept displays against North and Midlands and the Anglo-Scots, was hard to explain. The withdrawals of their Scotland players. Scott Hashington Players. Scott

Wateriaco 19 Sherifield 13

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SOUTH WEST: Clab matches: Avormouth 44, Ashley Down 3; Backwell 0, Cotham Park 8; Bidelord 3, Channy 10; Brodgeweiter and Abton 31, Tauron 4; Bristol Hartequine 5, Dings Crusaders 16; Bristol Telephone 38, SW Gas 3; Camborne 7, Truro 3; Chard 9, Wides 3; Camborne 7, Truro 3; Chard 9, Crewkerne 8; Chuddar 5, Tor 14; Chev Valley 4, Ord Ashtoners 11; Clevedon 6, Whitehald 21; Gordano 13; Frampton 5; Transpon 5; Prepared 21; Cerotano 13, Frome 9; Heiston 24, Plymouth Argaum 0; Homets 4, Thombury 4; Imperial 23, Southmeed 7; Keynshem 14, Newport 15 Old Boys 8; Kingswood 21, Aretians 10; Laurosation 3, Rednich 8; Laurosation Caste 18, Widebnidge Cambels II 0; Laurosation Coth 21; Rednich Coth 16; Middsomer Norton 18, Devizea 4; Mortgenians 0, Barth DE 34; Old Elizabetters 11; Britol Seracens 21, Old Reduttinas 6, North Bristol 15; Percanna and Newtyn 21, Newquay 2; St Berndam's Old Boys 9, Chipping Sodbury 34; Stothert and Ptr 0, Bath Spärdans 16; Weston-super-Mare 22, Herestord 10; Wheelscombe 24, Sauth Moltgen 15; Yation 3, Minehaad 11.

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Yesterday
LANCASHIRE PLATE: Second round:
Heaton Moor 19, Bury 12; Littleborough 7.
Camforth 26; Merseyside Police 34,
Ruskin Park 0; Rossandate 3, Oldham 9;
Southport 4, Sedgley Park 30.

UNDER-21 COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Buckinghamshire 10, Berkshire 13,

Anglo-Scots... WITH the McEwan's Scottish inter-district championship al-ready won by the South, the

ready won by the South, the Anglo-Scots and Glasgow were left to splatter their way through the motions of the final round of matches at a rain-sodden Athletic Ground on Saturday.

Little was at stake besides personal pride, although it was the lest economic for players. the last opportunity for players to impress the selectors before the teams were finalised for the Scottish trial next weekend, and perhaps it was the hope of total commitment, therefore, that swelled the stand to capacity.

ran out winners, by two tries and a penalty goal to the opening penalty goal by Graeme Aitchison, after 25 minutes.

In the muddy conditions, it is doubtful whether the selectors learnt anything, Richard Cramb was the outstanding individual, while Cronia, Gray, and White ulso shone for the Anglos, but Glaspow played for better as Glasgow played far better as a

Their weighty trio of Watt, Hamilton and Wallace also gave good accounts of themselves, while McKenzie, the Stirling County hooker, took two strikes in relentless rain, that theory took a good 20 minutes to reach the players, by which time Aitchison's points were well

the half nour. On the stroke of half-time, they took the lead after an Anglos lineout on their own 22. Watt bursting through on to a bouncing ball and charging over in the left-hand At the start of the second half,

the Anglos again took control, but within ten minutes the fire had gone, and as Glasgow tarkled hard around the base of tackled hard around the base of the scrum to deny White room, the game drilled back their way. With 14 minutes remaining. Glasgow had a 22-metre drop-out. The Anglos failed to gather cleanly, and Porter, the Malone and Glasgow left wing, sprang to life. Deprived of the ball all afternoon, he found it — and a

anybody could have been forgiven for retreating to the the first quarter almost entirely hostelries of Richmond for warmth and comfort, but the game improved, albeit marginally, and Glasgow deservedly the half hour. On the stroke of half-four. On the stroke of half-four.

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# McEwan's Scottish

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Dakziel HSFP 3; Kimmanock 14, Ayr 12;
Preston Ledge FP 15, Musselburgh 12;
Stekerk 16, Dunlemine Asion Dis
Bidwardlans 6, Old Leamingtonians 9;

Miletherch 8; Congleton 16, Bowdon 8;
Crewic and Narmotich 40, Rhos 3; Devenport 18, Wilmstow 6, De la Salle (Salford)
21, Leigh 19; Eccles 6, Rossendals 19;

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# Elliott and Martin treat viewers to a grandstand finish

world championship selection

world cross challenge race in

Saturday. He would then not

cretion. "I would rather run a

big international race than the

THERE could hardly have On the upper field, Davies- the boat, but not me," Elliott been a better advertisement Hale, who had trailed Martin said. for cross country than the by a distance until the end of international meeting at Dur- the fourth lap, took the lead, ham University playing fields but still Martin would not be on Saturday. There were vic- shaken. The race was decided tories for Peter Elliott, Ea- in the finishing straight, where monn Martin and the BBC. Martin rarely loses. Davieswhich gave coverage in Grandstand after ITV decided Hale could have expected no more after running 1,000 to abandon this branch of the miles in the last ten weeks in sport, for which it has exclupreparation for the Tokyo sive rights in Britain. marathon in February. Martin will rest his case for

There is no more cross country scheduled for terrestrial British television until if he performs capably in the the world championships in Antwerp on March 24. That Mallusk, Northern Ireland, on will leave anybody who saw the main event on Saturday contest the trial. Six places are feeling like the diner who has to be filled at the trial and his table cleared after one bite three at the selectors' dis-

Martin stuck manfully to the task of recovering the early trial," Martin said. break made by the Kenyan, John Ngugi, four times the world champion. On the last of six laps, Martin, who had John Nuttall, overtook Ngugi, only to discover that Paul

MOTOR SPORT

Vatanen is

quickly

into gear

rally three times, set a fastest

time of 3min 45sec over 3.7

kilometres near here. The

prologue decided the starting

order for the first African stage, which leaves Tripoli on

Mitsubishi and Lada took the

France, on a Kawasaki, re-

in the motorcycle prologue.

Laurent Charbonnel, of

Citroën,

Wednesday.

top ten places.

Elliott's cross country sea-

son started and finished on Saturday. His victory over Steve Crabb and a resurgent been shadowed all the way by Steve Ovett in the 3,000 metres looked to be extending him little more than his recent Davies-Hale had done to him Caribbean cruise. "There were what he had done to Ngugi. plenty of people jogging round plenty of people jogging round

ICE HOCKEY

# Scots add punch against Belgians

THE Great Britain tour continwith the home side registering an even easier win over Bel-gium, 10-1, than it had at Bracknell last Thursday. Vatanen, of Finland, drove his Citroen to victory in the Paris to Dakar rally's prologue yesterday. Vatanen, who has won the

It would appear that no more squad will be in their team for pool C of the world championships in Copenhagen and, with the British team stronger than it was last weak, a one-sided game

Among the additions to the home side who brought about the significant improvement were two young Scottish forwards. Iain Roberison and Bobby Haig, who linked with John Iredale to make an effective forward lines langt consecutive forward lines langt cons peated his victory of last year ective forward lines lan Gooper was reunited with the Johnson

brothers and this was another forward line which gave the Belgians far too much trouble. Had it not been for an

IN THE MOTORCYCLE PROTOGUE.

RESULTE: Core: 1. A Vatanon (Fin).

Circon, Jmin Moor: 2. K Erkeson (Swo).

Mistobishi, at 7sec; 3. P Larrique (Fr).

Mistobishi, at 8; 4. B Waidegaard (Swe).

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Kerrespic, Jmin Sécec; 2. J Montone (Bei).

KTM, at 1ecc; 3. L Mediardo (N) Gilora, at 4; 4. A Vai (So). Suzukid, at 6; 5. M Morales (Pr). SPORT IN BRIEF

OTHER SPORT

SPORT ON TV

20.00-21.30: Professional events, SSB 22.30-23.30: Superbouts, CYCLING: Euroapport 09.00-10.00: Sinday rese from Zuncti.
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TODAY'S FIXTURES

Superbikes. NOTOR SPORT: Screenaport 08.00-08.30, 09.00-11.30 and 16.00-16.30; Raily-POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONALS Screensport 07.00-08.00.

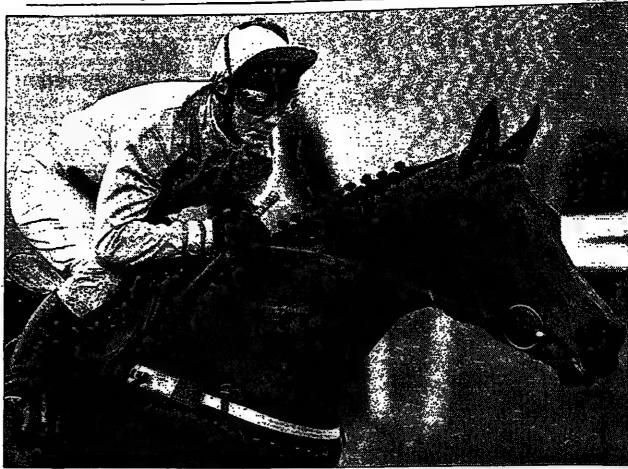
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RUGBY (LIAGUE: Euroeport 15.30-17.00: Regal Cup: Second semi-final. RUGBY (INSON: Screenaport midnight-IT.00: 1990 roviews.

SKATTRIC: Screenaport 12.00-13.30 and 22.30-23.30: Challenge of Champtons, and figure skating World Cup.

SKIING: Bereenaport 15.00-16.00: Pro-lear

# Talented Tyrone Bridge takes step nearer festival honours



Tyrone Bridge (Richard Dunwoody) striding clear in the Challow Hurdle at Newbury on Saturday

# Von Csadek differences

By RICHARD EVANS

VON Cradek, the top American timber horse, will be flown back to the United States in the next few days before returning to Britain in the spring for an audacious attempt to win two

The decision to remove the horse from the permament care of Henrietta Knight was an-nounced yesterday in an agreed statement issued by the respected West Lockinge trainer and Doug Worrall, part owner and trainer of the horse in the

However, I understand the dramatic switch in racing plans for the talented eight-year-old was at the instigation of Knight concerned by the demands of the horse's American connec-

"I would not have wanted to go on training the horse under existing conditions. Mr Worrall and I had different training reconcile myself with his methods," she said yesterday. "I do not feel I was doing the horse

iustice." behind Party Politics in the Save & Prosper Mandarin Chase at Newbury on Saturday with his jockey, Patrick Worrall, putting up 1 lib overweight.

The horse and son of the American trainer came as an inseparable package and both will return to their Maryland base. They will fly back to Britain shortly before the Midlands Grand National at Uttoxster on March 16, with the horse being stabled at West Lockings.

Seagram Grand National at Aintree on April 6. If the Uttoxeter mission ends in failure, the horse will return permanently to the States and be prepared for the Maryland Hunt Cup, the only major chasing prize to have eluded him there.

Von Csadek won his first two races in Britain after arriving here in August, and on the strength of those eye-catching performances was heavily backed to win the Hennessy Gold Cup in November. The horse's lack of speed over 34 miles against top-class opponents exposed his limitations.

The diplomatically-worded statement, issued yesterday, said that Doug Worrall, father of the jockey, believed his horse has not yet acclimatised in this country. A rest for the horse in January had always been plenned, and now his holiday

would take place at home. "Originally, Mr Worrall had wanted to see if Von Csadek had enough speed over here to win at three miles against the top British horses but it now appears that he does not, which is why the attention is now very definitely being turned to the Grand National Both trainers are now looking forward to mutual co-operation in im-

plementing this new plan." methods where the horse should run and over what distance, were effectively confirmed by Margaret Worrall, "We must have driven Henri- minimum of one stone over-If the trip is successful, Von etta nuts - in fact I know we weight when Worrall's 5th claim

tensive interval training for Von Csadek and had been telephoning most days from the United States, "For the past three weeks he has been over here riding the horse out himself," Knight said.

"It totally disrupts a yard if you have very good owners with 30-odd other horses and one horse which is being treated quite differently and being ridden by his owner. It's fine being ridden by its owner if it fits into our pattern, but everything was different and it was very

"He doesn't decry my methods because he realises those methods are used in England by lot of trainers, but he said it just doesn't suit his horse." She added: "I am just so relieved it is now sorted out. We have never lost our temper with each other."

While the return to the States. under the watchful eye of the Worralls, may prove beneficial, many British racing observers would give the horse a better chance in races here if he were to be ridden by a professional

Patrick Worrall, aged 18 and 6ft 2in tall, has immense difficulty keeping his weight down to 10st 11lb and on Saturday he weighed 11st 4lb. His exceptional height also means his riding style "he neoting style according to the textbook.

With Yon Csadek likely to be handicapped to carry little more than 10 stone in either of the mother of the jockey, at grand nationals, it seems certain Newbury after Saturday's race. the horse will be be carrying a

allowed to take anything away from the victory of Party Poli-tics, the massive 18 hands high gelding trained by Nick Gaselee. The confidence boosting win

in the rain-sodden ground was the first leg of a short-priced double for the Upper Lambourn trainer with Mr Entertainer also making all the running in the Hungerford Handicap Chase. Doubles come two-a-penny to

Martin Pipe but one could not fail to marvel at his latest pair of Newbury winners. Honest Word, heavily backed from 7-2 in the morning to 9-4 joint cap Hurdle in spite of a 709-day racecourse absence, looked certain to be beaten as he tired approaching the final hurdle.

Like so many of Pipe's winners, the five-year-old found extra reserves and in the end drew away from his challengers to win by 21/2 lengths.

Tyrone Bridge remains on target for Cheltenham honours after a comfortable victory in the Challow Hurdle. The hurdling of the Ascot Gold Cup runner-up looked a shade novicey during the first half of quickened his jumping im-proved significantly.

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All three of Tyrone Bridge's hterene victories have been over 21/2 miles but Pipe is planning to bring him back to two miles for the Baring Securities Tolworth Hurdle at Sandown on Saturday. The race will provide an accurate pointer to his Cham-pion Hurdle prospects for which

## he is 8-1 with Corals. the jumps





#### Whitaker second

JEAN-CLAUDE Vangeenberjumping grand prix in the Nekkerhal at Mechelen in Belglum with Osta Carpets Avontuur by 0.53sec yesterday, Michael Whitaker, of Britain,

finished in second place. DARTS: Mike Gregory, who was twice within one dart of defeat in the semi-final, won the Webster's British Open by beat-

ing John Lowe. TENNIS: Monica Seles led Yugoslavia to a 2-1 win over the Soviet Union and Manuela Malceva-Fragniere led Switzer-

Stephen Clark, aged 12, from to meet Thomas Hearns.

Solihull, beat Elliott Harvey, of Hertfordshire, 7-6, 6-3 in the first round of the Midland Bank ships at Telford.

BOWLS: Martin Gale, of Blackpool Borough, best Eric Rawcliffe, of Blackpool Fylde, 21-15 in the final of the Mackeson Fylde Classic at Blackpool yesterday. REAL TENNIS: Robert Fahey,

of Australia, won the Duncan Lawrie British under-24 champ-ionship at the Queen's Club with a straight sets victory over the second seed, Mark Devine, the Leamington assistant MOTOR RACING: Ayrton

Senna, of Brazil, has been voted sportsman of the year in a poll published by the French sports BOXING: Virgil Hill, the un-defeated World Boxing Associ-

ation light heavyweight champion, has signed a contract

CLUB MATCHES: Aberevon v Pontyp Neath v Massing (2.30); Swanse Lianelli (7.00).

ASKETBALL: WICE championship

AMERICAM FOOTBALL: Eurospert 22.15-23.15: College match.
ATHLETICS: Eurospert 10.00-11.00: Cross country from Durham. 88C2 15.35-18.30: Britain's Year of Cods.
BOXING: Screensport 10.00-11.30 and 20.00-21.30: Professional events. 888 22.30-23.30: Superbouts.
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ICE HOCKEY: Europort 20.00-21.00; National Hockey Lague. MOTORCYCLING: Screenaport 08.30-09.00, 13.30-14.00 and 22.30-midnight:

BASKETBALL

**Thames** 

Valley

fillip for

**Kingston** 

By NICHOLAS HARLING AN ISRAELI team good enough to defeat Kingston's forthcoming European Cup opponents, Maccabi Tel Aviv, by 23 points recently and to head them in

their national league, could not suppress the scoring flair of

England's most unpredictable

club in the world invitation club

championships yesterday.
Thames Valley Tigers over-

came Hapoel Jerusalem 82-75 to

assure the Carlsberg League of at

semi-finals of the fourteenth

annual tournament at Crystal Palace. The Berkshire club's success was also heartening

news for Kingston, who visit

Maccabi, the six-time winners of the WICB event, on Thursday

n the third match of the European Cup's final pool, hav-ing beaten Manchester 85-73 on Saturday to extend their League lead with their eleventh

successive victory.

At first, it seemed that Jerusalem would have no trouble

salem would have no trouble justifying their position as third seeds and maintaining Israel's successful tradition in the event. Franklin Giles, their 6ft 10in American, hit their first five points to give them a 5-2 lead, after which Thames Valley decided that they had an equal right to be on the same court. With the help of three successive baskets from Richard Scantlebury, two from Roberts.

Scantlebury, two from Roberts and a three-pointer from

Hayles, who also incurred a technical foul for dissent, Jeru-

Jenkins, too, made an immediate impression for Tigers, but the free-scoring Hazan assisted Jerusalem's recovery from a ten-point deficit. By half-time the free-scoring that at 1.77 in the free-scoring that a 1.77 in the free-scoring that are the free-scoring that are the free-scoring that are the free-scoring that are the free-scoring than the free-s

from a ten-point denot. By hau-time, the Israelis were 41-37 in front and when the advantage was stretched to mine points soon after, Tigers seemed to be experiencing the all too familiar feeling of defeat.

Nor was their inferiority in the height department beloed by

the height department helped by the departure of Roberts, foul-ing out, after the big centre had regained the lead for the English

tlub. Hayles eventually fol-lowed suit, but in the ensuing 41

seconds, James kept his cool to make the game safe.

Hapoel were followed out of

the tournament by the second seeds, Zahlgiris Kaunus, who were not able to call upon any of their trio of celebrated players

Sabonis, Kurtinaitis and

Chomicuous were all prevented from travelling by their present employers. Consequently, the Lithuanians were well beaten by

Haarlem — who had disposed of

Leicester the previous evening — long before the final three

minutes, in which they sank 15

points without reply. Even so,

86-70 was hardly respectable.

ESILTS their querier trais. Travel valley Tigen 62, (R Scentistury 19, Jenkins 18, Roberts 16), Hapoel Jeruselem 78; (Hazan 28, Aties 18); Haarlem (Nett) 85, (Wyndrem 32, Williams 21), Landering Kannes (1), Senioris Kannes (1), Senioris (1), Senioris

from the past.

He now turns to the indoor

season, and may run in the

world championships in Se-

ville in March. He set a 1,500

metres indoor world record

there last February before

injury prevented him, accord-

ing to his coach, Kim Mc-

Donald, from breaking the

outdoor one. "I fully expect

him to run as well over 1,500

metres indoors this season as last season," McDonald said.

dominated world cross coun-

try in recent years, only now

are their women beginning to

show. Susan Sirma's win in the Durham 3,000 metres

followed on her victories at

Gateshead and Margate. Can

Kenya's women win the world

title for the first time next

March? "They might do,"

RESIRTS: Man: 3,000m: 1, P Ellott (Rotherham), Brain 32sec; 2, S Crabb (Rotherham), Brain 32sec; 2, S Crabb (Borough of Erfield), 835; 3, S Ovett (Arnan and District), 841, 8,000m: 1, E Martin (Bassicon), 25:21; 2 P Daviss-Haib (Cannock and Stafford), 25:32; 3, Nutbal (Presson), 23:41, Women: 3,000m: 1, S Streen (Roth), 942; 2, S McGeorge

Belgian goal by Yannick Verstappen, Britain would have scored many more. The final shots-on-goal tally was 58-11.

The ineffective Belgian forwards also found the British

defence strengthened with the addition of Stephen Cooper, and

the home side had so many defencemen that Chris Kelland

spent part of the game playing

John Lawless and Brian Ma-

son, yet again very impressive in defence, each scored twice, while Gary Stefan, Jamie Crap-per, Peter Smith, Ian Cooper, Iredale and Kelland struck once

Humbersida public and despite

being asked to pay some 40 per cent more than the usual ad-

mission charge, they turned out

in large numbers. It was un-fortunate that the game did not

Sirma said.

While Kenya's men have

SPORTSDESK: 858 13.25, 18.00, 19.30, 22.00 and midnight. SURFFING: Eurosport 12.30-13.00: From Physical Street, 12.30-13.

TENNIS: Eurosport 15.00-18.00 and mid-night-03.00: Hopman Cup from Perth, Australe.
TENPIN BOWLING: Screensport 18.00-19.30: UK Open.
WATER SKING: Eurosport 08.00-09.00:
From Wessersin.

# Results from Saturday's five meetings

Newbury 12.30 1. Underbidder (7-2); 2. Captain Dibble (3-1); 3. Otterburn House (11-10 fav). 9 ran. NP: Juranstan. 1.0 1. Honesst Word (9-4 |-1-fav); 2. Bad-ratchan (8-1); 3. Imperial Brush (10-1). Fra-grant Dawn 9-4 |-1-fav. 10 ran. 1.30 1. Party Politics (4-5 fav); 2. Von Casdek (7-2); 3. Bahyhana (8-2). 4 ran. NP: Autic Cal. 2.0 1. Tyrone Bridge (2-5 fav); 2. Bur-goyne (14-1); 3. Darny Connors (9-2). 4 ran.

uri. 2.50 1, Mr Binberteiner (S-4); 2, Nos Na. Bolthe (5-2); 3, Auntie Dot (2-1 fav). 4 ran. 3.0 1, Kibreet (3-1); 2, Great Mill (11-2); Chatseuneut (7-4 fav). 11 ran.

NewCastle

1.10 1, Old Applejack (3-1); 2, Ida's
Desight (5-2 tay); 3, Worthy Knight (12-1), 5
rist. NR: Jim Thorpe.
1.40 1, Nittary Hosour (14-1); 2, Plying
Dancer (7-2); 3, Roman Dusk (50-1), Dale
Park 11-8 tay, 5 rat. NR: Randolph Place.
2.10 1, Nement Of Truth (9-2) Private
Hendicapper's top ratingl; 2, Edberg (111); 3, Choice Chellange (17-2). Black
Amber 9-4 tay, 11 ran.
2.40 1, Cab On Target (4-6 tay; Nitenber)
Beety's nap); 2, Abregation (16-1); 3, Merry Master (12-1), 18 ran.
3.5 1, Bantel Buccaneer (6-4); 2, Relver's Lad (8-1), Shady Roed 5-8 tay, 3 ran
(Only two finished).

# Folkestone

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12.45 1, Teanege Scribbler (16-1); 2, Ostura (20-1); 3, Coddington Village (20-1). Woodurather 6-4 fav. 16 ran.

1.16 1, Stately Lover (7-2); 2, True Loop (20-1); 3, Leanesworth (8-1). William Anthony 11-4 fav. 13 ran.

1.45 1, Clara Moustain (11-2), Cash is Ring 11-10 fav. 6 ran (Only one finished).

2.15 1, Lend Roller (16-1); 2, Murphy's Man (7-1); 3, Torsicie (8-2). Midnight Mas 4-1 fav. 13 ran.

2.45 1, Nitrage Bay (10-11 fav); 2, Majestio Buck (17-2). 8 ran (Only two finished).

3.16 1, Peajade (8-1); 2, Royle Speedmaster (15-2); 3, Beau Charm (11-4) Fav). Billy Straytom 11-4 (play. 13 ran. NR: Teenage Scribbler.

2.9 1, Bize Bourbon (14-1); 2, Teniente (4-7 tav); 3, Polcoroe (14-1); 6 ran. 2:30 1, Whente The Which (7-4 tav); 2, Porcelo (12-1); 8, Izadyer (20-1); 1 to ran. 3:0 1, Romanty King (8-15 tav); 2, Pentempa Network (6-2); 5, Calio Walk (15-2); 4 ran. 3:30 1, Lasere Diver (35-1); 2, Oble's Train (7-4 tav); 3, Usufruit III (12-1); 24 ran. NF; More Lasgitter. Southwell

12.46 1, Erevnes (6-1); 2, Brigader Biti (6-1); 3, Chronological (6-2). Qualitate Aviator 7-2 (av. 10 ran. Aventor 7-2 (sv. 10 ran).

1.19 1, Andrew's First (6-4 (sv); 2, Sharmon Express (5-1); 3, The Minder (11-1), 15 ran, NR: Excelets.

1.40 1, Gless Maddle (7-1); 2, Morpick (13-2); 3, Hansom Lad (7-1), North Of Wallord 9-2 fav. 13 ran.

2.10 1, Pacific Rise (4-6 law); 2, Riversin (11-2); 3, Kind Style (16-1), 11 ran, NR: Able Mao.

3.40 1, Honing Stone (7-2 fav); 2, Quick Ransom (8-1); 3, Jet Pet (7-1); 4, Jolly Rahermen (20-1), 16 ran, NP: Wane's

# TRAINERS

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R Dunwoody	87	88	31		- 6
N Doughty	57	56	21	- 6	+6
P Scudamore	54	17	12	Ĭ	+1
M Dwyer	48	87	25	4	
# Miven	41	34	25 33	0	-1
G McCourt	40	44	29	9	-2
H Davies	37	24	28	2	-2
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# ATHLETICS

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CYCLO-CROSS IACCLESFIELD: OMC Ford-Spectus uppercea (12 miles): 1. C Young (Ever

BOBSLEIGHING mann), Trini 38.38bed (49.04sec, 49.34sec); 2. Germany (W Hoppe, R Hammemann), 1:38.40 (49.07, 49.33); 3. Sertzertand I (O Weder, B Gerber), 1:38.43 (49.17, 49.26); 4. Austria! 1 (Appel, H Winkler), 1:39.10 (49.51, 49.53); 1 (49.56, 49.51); 6. Germany Bi (P Hinz, K-U Kohlerd), 1:39.14 (49.38, 49.75); 6. Switzerfand II (N Beracch), K Saczill, 1:39.44 (49.88, 49.76); 7. Fritain II (M Tout, G Ferrel), 1:39.51 (49.66, 49.55); 8. Britain I (M Phippe, E Horler), 1:39.58 (49.62, 49.55); 6. Switzerfand (I (N Phippe, E Horler), 1:39.58 (49.62, 49.55); 6. Serseth I (N Phippe, E Horler), 1:39.58 (49.62, 49.55); 6. Serseth I (N Phippe, 1:47); 7. Appel, 31; 4. P Gesulto (t) and Weder, 83.

BOWLS

NEWTON HALL, Blackpool: Macksoon Fylde
Cheste: Section & W Richards (Canthridge
Park, Twickscham) bt B Mayman (Knottand),
21-0; S Arby (Blackpool Fylde) br B Betty
(Thornton), 21-18; Alray bt Richards, 21-4,
Party bt Mayman, 21-1, Sachards bt Betty,
21-14; Arby bt Mayman, 21-7, Section B: M
Gale (Blackpool Borough) bt A Allocati
(Bartiflam), 21-12; M Leach (Marton) bt J
Ottavery (Wymondham Dall), 21-20; Allocati
(Bartiflam), 21-12; M Leach (Marton) bt J
Ottavery (Wymondham Dall), 21-20; Allocati
Leach, 21-13; Ottover; bt Gale, 21-11;
Ottovery bt Allocati, 21-16; Gale bt Leach, 2120. Section C: W Wood (East Lothaw) bt B
Ogden (Blackpool), 21-6; E Reworlffe (Blackpool Fyride) bt S Brown (Blackpool), 21-9;
Wood St Reworlffe, 21-9; Ogden bt Brown,
21-17; Section D: D Bryant (Chesten) bt H
Hargraeves (Blackpool), 21-9; D Hoft (Blackpool Borough) bt R Corple (Edwards) bt H
Leather-Finele Gale bt Alray, 21-20;
Bryant bt Holt, 21-18; Hargreeves bt Conste,
21-17; Remodiffe bt Holt, 21-18; Semi-firmier
Gale bt Bryant, 21-15; Rawolffe bt Richarts,

COUNTY MATCH: Sussex 101, Kent 151.

MECHELEN: Cera Bank Grand Priz: 1, Osta Carpets Avontur: (J. C. Vangeenberghe, Bet).
0. Izuitta, 37.65see; 2, Nenderson Gerbestürmer (M. Weitstare, GS), 0, 38.39, 3, Osterseibe Opstellen (A. Voorn, Nech), 0, 39.51; Port Priz: 1, Medicson Olympe du Pertre (P. Detavesu, Fr), 0, 28.25; 2, Brook Street Clover (R. Smith, GS), 29.24; 3, Paraccee du Thot (A. Ledermenn, Fr), 0, 31.38.

CRICKET

KARACH: Quald+Azam Trophy: Four-day match: Karachi Whitae 238 (E Faith 62, G Ali 55; N Khan 4-92) and 97-2; Sergodha 106 (A Laiq 7-23). CTOLITICS

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(after 3 days): 1, A Keppee (Ger) and E de Wide (Ged, 300pts. 2 legts behind: 2. B Holemege (Switz) and P Biscolitot (Pt. 338; 3, R Stumpt (Ger) and A Doyle (GS), 209, 3 leges, 4, 1 Veggerby (Dern) and S Tourne (Bel), 222. 9 leges: 5, V Deell and R Goender (Ger), 170. 11 leges: 6, M Ganyar (USSR) and O Curuchet (Arg., 169

MISTLEY: Colchester Rowers (12 miles): 1, G Baker (Ever Ready-Halfords), 1 ftr Comin Otsec, 2. B Petro. (Argile 5001), 104:351, 3, P Edwards (VC Barn), 1058:30. Team: VC Norwich.

SOUTHAMPTON: Craiswood CC (12 miles): 1.

Whi, 57:24.

ABERIGAVENNY: Germet CC (10 miles): 1, L.

Raverhai (Sapphire RC), 48:20, 2, M hee
(Coverty Diympic), 48:26; 3, J Wyon (Abergavenry RC), 48:25: Texas CC Abergavenry, LEDR: Searcht Wheelers (15 miles): 1, S

Marutan (VC Liveshr), 138:54; 2, R Bassicher,
(Sermind Carura HT), 1:11:32; 3, M Toung

(Braditor RCG), at 1 top.

GATESHEAD: Hadge RC (10 miles): 1, R

Goodel (Cleveland Tristhion), 57min 20sec; 2, 8

Carr (Astropton RC), 58:26; 3, A May

(Carveland Tristn), 1:91.12. Team: Cleveland

Trist).

**CRESTA RUN** 

BRINE NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Old Hutmeiens 5. Cheedle 25; Sale 4. Stockport 9; Timpertey 11. Did Scoplandians 2. Second division; Cheedle A 12. Moorthorpe 7; Majtor A 15, Boardman and Ecolos 6; Rochisters 9. Limenton 10.

FOR THE RECORD

GOLP

GORAL GABLES: Leading Shird-mound norms (LIS unless sateoft Girle: 217; Ablico Fakushima (Japan), 59, 72, 78, 221; K Mourgus (Japan), 59, 72, 78, 221; K Mourgus (Japan), 59, 77, 77, 78, 72, 222; A A Pachor (Yan), 78, 717, 73, 73, 73, 222; K Mush (Sol. 14, 78, 73, 231; C Kerr, 78, 76, 77, 222; A A Pachor (Yan), 78, 231; C Kerr, 78, 87, 71, 81, 232; G Japan, 78, 82, 78, 238; J Handon, 78, 81, 71, 24, 242; S Lem, 79, 80, 81, 70, 72, 218; C Woods, 73, 69, 72, 65, on Houle'in', 73, 70, 72, 218; C Gouch, 73, 70, 73, 218; D Stone, 75, 70, 74, 226; C Limberson, 78, 71, 73, 222; P Vadden, 78, 74, 72, J Whitson, 75, 72, 75, 224; D Stackon, 74, 75, 74, 225; K Magnaria (Japan), 76, 71, 78, 226; G Thabn (Zurn), 74, 77, 75, 226; Magnaria (Gen), 78, 77, 77, J P Dwyer (GB), 78, 79, 74, 78, 234; L C Municipo (Zirn), 84, 72, 78, .

HOCKEY Rengemia 4, Walchield E, Warrington 12, Redder 3, CLUB MATCHER: Acomb 2, Hell YPI 1; Acoleby Frodingham 1, Market Deeping 0; Billingham 2, Norton 2; Bowdon 1, Brooklands 2; Bradford 0, Halifax 1; Bramhall 2, Chestham Hill 1; Deed Brown 3, Applaidy Frodingham XI 0; Deeside Rambiers 2, Pleasen 1; Daley I, Turberlay 7; Formby 3, Soumport 0; Uverpoot Settem 1, Highton-Northam 2; Macclestald 8, Creev Vagabonds 1; Freecot 5, Rencom XI 1, Runcom 2, West Derby 2; St George 9; O Sunderland 4; Safet 1, Brooklands XI 1; Stazlangen 1, Walcefield 1; Stockland 3, Martion Furnass 1; York 5, Scarborough 0; York CS Trojans 4, Berdsey 0; Ashford 4, Turbridge Wells 1; Aylesbury 2, Beddrod 3, Balsop 1; Storderd Vess 1, Bury St Edmund's Vets 0; Centarbury 0, Eastcode 1; Chehaster 3, Middleton 0; Fersham 3, Winchester 3, Gore Court 3, Gravesend 2; Southerd 2, Westchiff 1.

SWOLDS SCHOOLS AREAS COUNTY CHAMPONDUSTS Esser Under-15 6, Norton Under-15 2.

TRIATHLON TELFORD THISIAN (SOOM swim, 15km bits and 5km run; 1, M Beffeld (North Staffs), 47mm lizace (new course record); 2, P Smith (Chase Tri), 4947; 3, L Snelson (unstached), 50:42; 4, M Cawood (Mersey Tri), 22:38; 5, \$ long Herstord Tri), 53:44. Wommer, 1, J Seyer (Telliord), 63:44; 3, D Jones (Packtrac), 60:14; 4, C Liversage (Tellord), 68:32; J Beater (Herstord Tri), 68:00.

DAVOS, Switzerlend: Spengter Cop tour-nament: Spengle Moscow 4, Duida Jihlava (Cz) 2: Team Canada 3, Duida Jihlava 1.

NORIDIC SKIING

OSENWRESENTHAL, Germany: World Cap
Norsic combined event: Mey's 70m et lamb.

1. T. Norzign (Suss.) 199ts (89.5, 85.5m; 2.
F. B. Lundberg (Nor.) 215.9 (87. 85.5); 3. H-P
Pohl (Gert, 211.8, 68.5, 64.5; 6.5); 4. K.
Sutzenbacher (Austrie), 2014.9 (87. 85.5); 3. H-P
(Austrie), 2014. (84. 80; 7. H-J Adtherweld
(Austrie), 197.7 (87.5, 77; 8. F. Maita (Cz.,
195.2 (84.5, 52; 9. H. Kengd (Switz), 194.7
(81.5, 63; 10, K. 7 Apatend (Norz, 191.60, 62.
Cream caustry (18um); 1. A Schamett (Switz),
42min 24aec; 2. A Levendi (USSR), 42-52.2, 3.
Sutzenbacher, 43-53.1; 4. S. Leonhertt (Ger,
43:03.7; 5. J-Y Cuender (Switz), 42-27.7; 6.
Kengd, 43-22.6; 7. M. Kopal (Cz), 44-09.8; 6. K.
Tore Apatend (Nor.), 44-21.1; 9. Boerre
Lundberg, 44-31.2; 10, X. Grand (F), 44-33.2.
Combined: 1, Sutzenbacher; 2. Lundberg; 3.
Kerngh, 4. Pohl; 5. Lywardi; d. Csex. Overall
World Cup placinger 1, Lundberg, 45pa; 2.
Sutzenbacher, 40; 3. Kampl, 24; 4. Levendi,
22, 5, T. E. Elden (Nor.), 20.

**REAL TENNIS** COSEDY'S CLUB: Demons Lewise British under-3t championables: Tabrd Round: R Febry by P Pastrson, 51, 6-1 Sensificate: Febry by N Wood, 6-3, 6-4; M Devine by M Howard, 6-3, 6-4. Fingh Fathey bt Devine, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4 Deubies: Beard-finale: R Fathey and N Wood by S Brockerstew and A Lyons, 6-1, 6-4; M Devine and A Phillips by T County and S Davine, 6-0, 8-1. Finals Fathey and Wood w/o Devine and Phillips (Phillips Interes).

PERTH. Austrelie: Hepman Cup team clumpionship: Third day: First round: Yugo-slavis 3. Raly & Singles: M Seles (Yug) bt R Reggi (b). 8-2. 6-7. 6-4. G Proje (Yug) bt R Reggi (b). 8-2. 6-7. 6-4. G Proje (Yug) bt P Care (d). 6-4. 6-3. Mitsed doubles: G Proje and M Seles (Yug) bt P Care and R Reggi (f). 6-3. Gore pro selt. Curren-direlate France 2. Beals 1: Singless: A S Vicario (Sp) bt C Tarwise (Fr.). 6-4. 6-3. G Forget (Fr) bt E Sanchez (So). 6-4. 6-2. Mitsed doubles: G Forget and C Tarwise (Fr.). 6-4. 6-3. Self-town (Switz) bt J C Carl (Sp). 6-4. 6-2. Self-town (Switz) bt J C Carl (Aust). 6-2. 6-4. Mitsed doubles: Missel by R (Aust). 6-9. 6-4. Mitsed doubles: Missel Union 1 (Yugoelevs Bratt: Singless: M Seles bt N Zwaren. 6-2. 6-1. [ G Proje (sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Sot to A Cheanoloov. 6-7. 6-3. 2-6. Mitsed doubles: Seles (Fr.) (Proje (Fr.) (Pr

TELPORD: Micland Bank British 16 and under champlenshipe: Boys: Singles: First round: L. Sabin (Donet) bt C. Bennett (Hereford and Worce), 8-0. 8-0. D Webter (Bucke) bt 8 Preston (Eased, 7-10. 63. 6 Haggari (Suffolk) bt C. Andere (Lance), 7-8. 7-6. 7-6. 6-0. 6 Haggari (Suffolk) bt C. Andere (Lance), 7-8. 7-8. P Bornington (Cambo) bt O Hedden (North of Scotland), 8-2. 7-4: S Clark (Werwicke) bt C. Lopen (Bede), 8-2. 6-4; M Sentin (Swisse) at T. Lott (Warwicke), 8-2. 6-4; M Sentin (Swisse) at T. Lott (Warwicke), 8-4. 6-2; D Cales (Bucks) bt M (Herts), 5-3. 6-2. T Spinlas (Norfolk) bt J Baltar (Warwicke), 8-4. 6-2; D Cales (Bucks) bt M (Rets), 8-4. 6-2; D Cales (Bucks) bt M Restolite (Northumber-land), 3-6. 43. 7-6; B Johnson (Chesnine) bt S Twigg (Staffe), 6-2. 6-1; R Paul (Middlesend) bt M Arrey (Durham and Clavelend), 3-6, 7-6. 4. 6-2; H Sumerset (Middlesend) bt T Ferthing (Herts), 7-3. 6-2; R Wattins (Willin) bt B Mather (West of Scotland), 7-4, 6-6. 6-6; B Delgado (Warwicke) bt M Ingham (Lance), 6-1, 6-3; M Durldey (Bede) bt P Fetcher (Warsh), 8-3, 6-2; M Coombe (Lance) bt S Marth (Middlesend), 6-1, 6-3; M Durldey (Bede) bt P Fetcher (Warsh), 8-3, 6-4; B Haronen (Buckey) bt J Barnett (North of Scotland), 7-4, 6-3; A Gustry (Gent) bt A Carr (Chesthire), 8-4, 6-5; B Haron (Marth) bt C. Lestiam (Buckey) bt J Barnett (North of Scotland), 7-4, 6-3; A Gustry (Morth of Scotland), 7-4, 6-2; B Haran (Harne) bt S Masson (Marresce), 3-6, 6-2, 6-4; M Woochead (Ling) bt P Martin (Avon), 8-1, 6-7, 8-4, 0, 3, 6-4.

BOXING

RUGBY LEAGUE BARLA LEAGUE: First division: Heworth 27. Leigh East 22. Leigh Minare 24. Millorn 12. Mayfold 38. Pitilingstons 10: Woolston 6. Wigen IR Pate 9. Secund division: East Leeds 42. Knottingley 9: Greetland 17. Beverley 4: Rechill 20. Shaw Cross 13.

SKI JUMPING

OBERSTDORF, Gentlery, Four Hills tournement Pirel street.

1. J Websting (Gen).

203 9tts (107m, 108 5m); 2. A Felder (Austria).

108, 104 5, 108; 3. H Kuttine (Busyla).

108, 104 5, 4. C Buttiner (Busyla).

1108, 5. M Marrisson (Bree). 195. 5 (103, 107);

6. S Freitors (Switz). 198. 28 (1095, 104 5); 7. S Taiburg (Swe). 167.3 (102, 102.5); 8. E Weston's (Austria). 181.8 (1015, 100.5); 9. S Homigacher (Austria). 181.2 (98, 109); equal 10, A-P Rédoin (Fin.). 180.8 (102.5) and placings (after Sweet works): 1, A Freiter (Austria). 107 ptr.; 2. A (Bessenster (Gen). 29. 3. D Thome (Gen). 29. 4. Chemisteria (Gen).

3. D Thome (Gen). 52; 4. F Pette (Yugo). 82. 6. AP Middels (Fin.). S Zund (Switz). A Verweibyn (USSR), all 51; 8. F Pitc. (Cd.). 37; 8. J Heumann (Gen). 35; 10. A Neminan (Fin.). H Kuttin (Gen). 29. Vettor (Austria). S Homigacher (Austria). all 27. Machine Cup: 1. Germany. 273psc; 2. Austria, 207; 3. Frieland. 115; 4. Yugostevia. 20; 5. Switerfand. 72; 8. Caractrosslovaka, 58; 7. Soviet Union, 51; 8. Nerveny.

**SNOW REPORTS** 

conditions can be expected. Outdook
Cloudier tomorrow with persistent rain
and enow at first, becoming brighter.
Winds trash to strong.

Information supplied by the Scottish
Meteorological Office

The 47,485 crowd at the Manchester United v Aston Villa first division game on Saturday was the highest in the Barclays League for three seasons. The figure for the Manchester United v Tottenham Hotspur match on Saturday, September 26, 1987 was 47,601. The attendance took United's average this season to 43,913 from 11 home matches.

 Sheffield United's Boxing Day victory at Luton Town has carned them the vote of Graham performance of the week. A local boys club will collect the

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# Al Hashimi can add to Nicholson's recent haul at Cheltenham

Nicholson and Dunwoody have collected four winners from six runners at the last can strike with Up And Comtwo fixtures on the Gloucestershire course. Like the majority of the

Nicholson-trained horses, Al Hashimi has also shown himself to be in good form. On his seasonal debut he was an impressive 20-length winner from Antinous at Worcester. Newbury, he was far from disgraced when runner-up to Pendennis, who received 16lb.

This season, New Halen has run some excellent races in deseat. In the Hennessy Gold For Free in the Spa Hurdle the Cup he was fifth behind Arctic Martin Pipe-trained selding Call and carlier, in the should have a relatively sim-Mackeson Gold Cup over ple task. Since Run For Free today's course and distance, beat Beech Road at Haydock, the gelding was a promising third to Multum In Parvo.

However, I feel Al Hashimi is an improving young horse and New Halen may now be feeling the effects of a busy season.

Nicholson and Dunwoody also have sound claims in the Lansdown Novices' Hurdle with the dual winner Strong

12.45 Yeoman Cricketer.

AL Hashimi can continue this season's excellent Cheltenham success of David Nicholson and Richard Dunwoody in the Cleeve Hill Handicap Chase fifth behind his stable companion Bollings.

Nicky Henderson, whose stable is in tremendous form, ing in the Dermot Daly Me-morial Trophy Chase, Last season, this attractive gelding caught my eye after an impressive victory over Sir's At The son, the once-raced Deep Run Gin at Towcester in March. The following month he

returned to Towcester and put up another pleasing perfor-On his only other outing, at mance when accounting for Tewtrell Lad by 20 lengths. Despite not having had a run this term, it should not detract However, today, he will have from the bay's chances as he tershire Silver Fox Handicap a fight on his hands with New came to hand first time out last season.

Now that Beech Road has the six-year-old achieved an Doubt can also make a

Also in that two-mile con-test was Do Be Brief, who finished full of running to take third place. Today, the powerfully-built Le Moss gelding is napped to show the benefit of that outing by taking the Robinson Handicap Hurdle.

2.30 Run For Free.

King's Curate for a neck beating at Ayr last season. I feel Mrs Pitman's gelding will be suited by this first attempt over three miles.

Farmer Bryan can continue Nick Gaselee's excellent strike rate with first-time-out runners in the Pytchley Novices' Hurdle at Leicester. Last seagelding showed plenty of promise when fourth to the useful Olveston at Newton Abbot.

Tim Forster, who is also noted for getting his runners ready first time up, can collect with Eastshaw in the Leices-Chase,

General Highway, a bitter disappointment on his latest declined a rematch with Run outing at Bangor when pulled for Free in the Spa Hurdle the up behind Rolling Ball, can make amends on his chasing debut in the Gallowtree Nov-

At Catterick, Without A effortless victory at Chepstow. successful transition from burdles to fences in the Camp Novices' Chase.

This former useful hurdler has always had the appearance of a chaser and can upset Last 'O' The Bunch, who was fortunate to win his latest race at Chepstow after two principal rivals fell at the last

#### Grabel sets sights on Champion tilt From OUR IRISH RACING

THE Paddy Mullins-trained Grabel, Ireland's top hurdler,

brought her career earnings to freeze, brought her career earnings to freeze, 293 by winning the listed Bookmakers. Hurdle for the third year in a row at Leopardstown on Saturday.

Lying in second place until taking up the lead of the second. Lying in second piace unin-taking up the lead at the second-last hurdle, the seven-year-old-mare cantered home un-challenged by six lengths from Jennycomequick, who carned her place in The Ladbroke line-tin at I consorder up in two

the pane in the Lagueous inc-up at Leopardstown in two weeks' time.

When she won this race for the first time in 1988 she started at odds of 7-1, last year she was an 11-8 on chance, while this time she was almost upbeckable. time she was almost unbackable

time she was almost unbackable at 7-2 on.

Her trainer said afterwards that she would return to Leopardstown in Pehruary for the Wessel Cable Champion Hurdle before heading to Cheltenham for the Champion Limits.

Chettenham for the Champion Hurdle.

Arthur Moore, who had two winners on Saturday, Garryduff Mover and The Throw, had a serious disagreement with the stewards following an enquiry into the performance of his That's The Life, who finished eventh in the Win Electric Novseventh in the WinElectric Novice Handicap Hurdle.

Rowe confuses judge

RICHARD Rowe was fined £50
after his riding of Spartan Times
in the Philip Cornes Novices'
Hurdle baffled both the judge
and announcer at Newbury on
Saturday.

Revue nufled up his mount
later announced over the public

1.55 CLEEVE HILL HANDICAP CHASE (28,158; 2m 4f) (5 runners)

Long handlesp: Iron Gray 8-11, 68th Boy 8-9.

2.30 SPA HURDLE (£8,056: 2m 4l) (8 runners)

301 P12F4-P BISHOPS YASN 18 (CD,Q,Q) (BTRIS Pt;) (3 Balding 11-11-10 R Greet 32 Us11-12 AL HASHMAS 36 (BF,Q,F,Q) (J Hobbs) D Nicholson 8-10-6 R Demonsky 13 Us15841 NEW HALEM 5 (CD,F,Q,S) (Mrs 3 Shring) A Jemes 9-10-5 (Sec) E Tlemmo (7) 304 1/49F9- SEON GRAY 250 (F,S) (Mrs J Hould) N Twiston-Device 8-10-0 J Coborne 305 1222-14 (ELITE SOY 31 (BF,Q,F) (Mrs C Black) M Ober 5-10-0 J Religion

BETTING: 11-8 Al Hushimi, 2-1 New Halen, 13-2 Else Boy, 8-1 Bishops Yarn, 12-1 Iron Gray. 1988: PADDYBORO 12-11-13 R Rowe (4-1) J Gifford 5 ran

401 1146-11 RIM FOR FREE 8 (CD.F.Q.S.) (R Frontiny) M Pipe 8-11-12.

J Lower 402 32:15-P2 RYDE AGAIN 18 (BF.F.S.) (R Frontiny) M Pipe 8-11-12.

J Lower 402 32:15-P2 RYDE AGAIN 18 (BF.F.S.) (Res K Hayward) P Cundel 7-11-12.

H Device 403 9/1045-5 VAGADOR 27 (C.Q.S.) (Mea A Harmood) G Harmood 7-11-8.

M Perrett 404 32-32:13 POLAR VISCOM 34 GJ.P.) (R Berwroon) C C Elsey 4-11-4.

R Device 405 PPIUSS- ARISTOS 288 (a) (A J 8 R G Barbor Lei) J Old 8-11-0.

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R Nove 407 22:15,6 DOMARO 27 (C.P.S.) (H Ruinborth) T Krensy 7-11-0.

Scales Nation 408 08-923-4 HOME TO TARA 5 (T Bowman) Mrs J Croft 6-11-0.

J Railion

BETTING: 4-5 Flup For Free, 5-1 Ryde Again, Vegedor, 8-1 Bradbury Star, 10-1 Domain., 12-1 Ariston. 14-1 Polar Vision, 33-1 Horis To Tam. 1980: BEECH ROAD 8-11-12 R Gueet (1-3-fav) & Balding 2 ren

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FIRST Amendment (several part of the properties of the

3.5 DERMOT DALY MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (Amateurs: 24,347; 3m

FORM FOCUS GOLDEN FREEIGN 101 | Towtrell Lad (see 13b) 201 at Towosaur (3m, 900 firm), REVER HOUSE easily best Impury (red 14b) at Worcestor (3m, 900d), DEE SHOKE 4th but Master (gave Std) 101 at Utstrater (3m 2, 900d) at Editors (3m), 900d). DEE SHOKE 4th but Master (gave Std) 101 at Utstrater (3m 2, 900d). DEE SHOKE 4th but Master (gave Std) 101 at Utstrater (3m) 200d). Dee Group (3m) by Heaty Diver (red 17b) at Lakeeter (900d). Selection: HOTPLATE

BETTING: 5-1 Kingsias Nephes. 7-2 Co Be Brief, 4-1 Banker's Goeslp, 6-1 King's Cursin, 6-1 Cliftor Chapel, 8-1 Copee And Robbers, 12-1 The Shiner.

1989: CALABRESE 5-10-10 R Dunwoody (4-5 tay) N Honderson 7 ran

FORM FOCUS KURAKAS MEPHEW

2nd besten 2 by Big

Witte Wonder (rec 21lb) at Wolverhempton (2m df.
good to soft, CLETON CHAPEL 4th besten 27kl by

Westeney (rec 22b) with COPPE AND ROBECHS (rec
190) Set at Heydook (2m df. soft).

190) Set at Heydook (2m df. soft).

190) Set BREEF finished well when 4th besten over 201

Selection: DO BE BRIEF

Course specialists

1.45 NEVILLE CRUMP HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,782: 3m 1f 80yd) (7 runners)

2.15 FINGALL SELLING HURDLE (£1,632: 2m) (11 runners)

2 3P-31F5 THE DEMON BARRERS 5 (CD,F,Q,S) (R Cuppe) G Richards 8-12-0 N Doughty
2 2405-U4 TRAVEL OVER 30 (D,Q,S) (Mrs C Feather) R Lee 3-11-9 J Shortz
3 0P2022- J-J-HENRY 239 (F,Q,S) (Mrs J Knowles) P Bestumont 11-11-9 Mrs A Fearrell
4 10-2415 Mrs HED 22 (CD,F,Q,S) (Hrs J Knowles) P Bestumont 11-11-9 Mrs A Fearrell
5 29-1429 SEE YOU THERE 11 (Y,CD,F,S) (Myrdoch) (Myrdoch) (Mrs PROperated 8-10-6 Mrs A Dwyer
6 3216-32 FISH CUAY 82 (C,SF,F,Q,S) (Gymonic Racing III Fis) M H Sestanby 7-10-1 H Murley
7 FISH-1U BARCONY ISLE 16 (SF,G,S) (M Abrahums) C Thomas 8-10-0 A Orlowy

SETTING: 2-1 Figh Cury, 7-2 Iright Red, 5-1 See You There, 6-1 J.-J-Henry, 7-1 The Demon Burber, 8-1 Travel Over, 10-1 Barony Isla.

1988: SEE YOU THERE 7-11-0 D Syme (2-1 fav) Jimmy Fitzgerald 6 ran

3.40 ROBINSON HANDICAP HURDLE (£5,258: 3m) (7 runners)

Long hundicage Copse And Robbers 9-10.

FORM FOCUS BISMOPS YARM pulled up 3 out behind Cells Shot at Haydook (3m), serier showed better when 4th besten 16 by Plants (rec 12b) at Haydook (3m, heavy). At. HASHIMS 2nd beaten 25 by Partic (gave 1b) at Newbury (3m, heavy). At. HASHIMS 2nd beaten 25 by Pentilents (rec 16b) at Newbury (3m 4t, (3m).

Selection: NEW HALEN



Mollins: Leopardstown return for Grabel

The explanations were noted on Moore for abusive language

in the stewards' room.
Ken Morgan, recently replaced by Conor O'Dwyer on
Carvill's Hill, showed his conwhen enjoying his fourth win in eight days as Glen's Pride, a 14-I chance, sprang a shock in the opening Three Rock Maiden

• The sponsor has cut Jenny Pitman's Wonder Man from 4-1 to 7-2 for The Ladbroke. Fragrant Dawn is a 6-1 chance and The Illiad, after his victory at Leopardstown on Friday, has shortened from 16-1 to 10-1.

Spartan Times fourth.

The incorrect placing was later announced over the public address system until the error was rectified by the judge Michael Hancock.

The stewards asked Rowe to explain why he finished ahead of two runners having already pulled up and, not being satisfied with his explanation, fined him £50.

## LEICESTER Selections

By Mandarin 12.45 Farmer Bryan. 1.15 Primatice. 1.45 Tinas Lad. 2.15 Eastshaw. 2.45 General Highway. 3.15 Mistress Ross.

By Michael Scely 2.45 HENRY MANN (nap). 3.15 Torwada. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 TORWADA.

Going: good (chase course); good to soft (hurdles)

12.45 PYTCHLEY NOVICES HURDLE (£1,388: 2m) 

7-4 Le Sucheron. 4-1 General Moss. 5-1 Fermer Bryan. 8-1 Way Of Life, 18-1 Chichell's Hurst, 12-1 others.

1.15 HOBY SELLING HURDLE (E2,052: 2m) (23) 86 AMERACI 19 W Mannon 4-11-7 Br M Ranger (7)
P DAN THE MAN 22 C Smith 4-11-7 Br M Ranger (7)
P-6 PEAK DESTRICT 9 K Brigweine 4-11-7. W Manghenya OS SAFANI KEEPER 8 M W Mannon 4-11-7. C Livewally OS AICLI 58 R BYZINGION 4-11-2 M C Parmil (7)
DESSESS CHOLES TYLE D Wintle 4-11-2 W McFadand See DULVERTON 10 (S) J Parkes 3-10-7 D Byttle LAMESTON LAD 55 E Edin 3-10-7 R Campbell OS MYLOROMAYON IT WISHON 10-10-3-10-7 N Colleman 595 PHANDAY'S QUEST 10 M Bianaberd 3-10-7 M Richards

2 PRINCATICE 34 (BLRF) M Pipe 3-10-7 M Richards
OP RUPPLES 13 (B) M Ryan 3-10-7 J. Lover
12 SUPPRETTA 25 (BLRS) J. Lantons 3-10-7 L. Wyer
12 SUPPRETTA 25 (BLRS) J. Lantons 3-10-7 M Section
No. TRIBES 17 A Laighton 3-10-7 W Mooris
OBARANYTA 36 M Widerison 3-10-2 M Lynch
BAY MEELAN 20 R Brotherson 3-10-2 S Woodl
O GLENCOE LADY 39 D Hight Jones 3-10-2

I BROSENSK (C)

TRICIA CIP K Bridgester 3-10-2...... 0 Bridgester (7)
P WOLVER LADY 46 A Jones 3-10-2....... N Thomas (7) 2-1 Primatice, 7-2 Tribute To Dad. 8-1 Beybeauty, Lamb Lad. 10-1 Alos, Anurag. Pheraph's Guest, 14-1 others.

1 35-1 TIMAS LAD 28 (F.O.) J Edwards 7-11-10. O Yegg 2 00 BARSHARE 416 D Morris 5-11-4. J McLaughtin 3 48/ FROZZEN ARMSTREE 534 (S) J Scargil 6-11-4. 1-3 Times Lad, S-2 Frozzen Ministral, 20-1 Bangtiers. 2.15 LEICESTERSHIRE SILVER FOX HANDICAP CHASE (£4,464: 2m 4f) (8) 1 15-1 AMOTHER BOLLES & (Q.S.) Mrs I McGe 8-12-0 A Webb 2 4-54 MATRIC S (CD.Q.S) J Charg 8-11-0 M Bremen 3 RS12 HEADSP CH 37 (BF.D.F.G) K Bridgester 10-10-12 3 RS12 HEADER ON SY (DE SECTION )

4 SEV GOLDEN CZAR 584 (5) D Murray-Smith 8-10-9 Dikurphy

5 Dikurphy 5 #44- EASTSHAW 303 (0.8.5) T Forster 8-10-8. C Lie 8 -825 GOONG GETS TOLICH 11 (CLF) G Balding 7-10-5 7 -10F BRONZE FINAL 9 (D.F.S) J Gatong 7-10-5 M Lynch 5 3212 11.0G IT A LOT 24 (CDLF.G) R Lee 7-10-4 W Morfariand 5-2 Another Bolus, 7-2 i Like R A Lot, 9-2 Going Gers Tough, 5-1 Headin' On, 7-1 Bronze Final, 8-1 others. 2.45 GALLOWTREE NOVICES CHASE (2.817: 3m) 1 14-1 HARBOUR WALK 31 (D.S) T Forstar 7-11-4 C Lieuwillym
2 P/S BROTOWN 25 M Skinner 7-10-12 L Wyer
3 4942 BRAVE SETANTA 5 F O'Mahony 5-10-12 E Marphy
4 34-9 FICTION WATER 30 (S) T EM 5-10-12 E Marphy
5 4/P FIRST SEA LORD 11 N Gasslee 8-10-12 A Adsma
8 5-9° GERBRAL HOGHWAY 72 (S) J Chugg 7-10-12 M Lynch
6 0000 BRESTRO 15 D Winde 5-10-12 A Watholismi
8 SANGEROOK 12 Mrs H Parrott 6-10-12 S Michell
10 THE FORTIES T BB 3-10-12 S Michell
11 609 OCTOBER DAYS 10 C Broad 8-10-7 M Jones (S)
12 F4 TRUE TF 33 J Pickering 7-10-7 M Jones (S)
4-5 Harbour Walk, 9-2 Birdsown, 8-1 True Trp. 10-1 Harry
Marin, 12-1 Brave Setzinta, 14-1 Fiction William, 16-1 Others. 3.15 MIDLAND HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,231: 2m 10 do-5 WHISTLE BLOWER SD Miss N Knight 5-10-5
11 3000 LIGHT DANCER 12 (F) L Cods 4-10-2 ... D Byrne
12 27-40 SBETHY BEAR 9 (S) WIREM Price 5-10-2 ... N Coleman
13 34-P WINGHIG DANCER 9 (S) Miss L Bovet 7-10-0 .. T WIRE
14 PREP 175 ALL OVER NOW 8 (B.F) Mrs A Kng 6-10-0 8 Earle
15 -022 MESTREES ROSE 17 G Thorner 7-10-0 ... D Bridgweiber

Course specialists TRANSERS: M H Easterby, 6 witners from 8 runners, 76.0° c; M Pipe, 15 from 35, 42.9° c; Lady Herries, 3 from 7, 42.9° c; R Lee, 6 from 20, 30.0° c; B Curley, 3 from 12, 25.0° c; M Tompkins, 3 from 12, 25.0° c. 25.0%.
 30.CKEYS: J Lower, 6 winners from 9 rides, 66.7%; D Murphy, 4 from 33, 12.1%; C Uswellyn, 4 from 35, 11.4%; M Brennan, 4 from 37, 10.8%. (Only quelifiers).

7-2 Torwada, 5-1 Weishman, 6-1 Doby Werdence, loarus, 7-1 Look Lively, 8-1 Charles Dickins, Principal, 10-1 orbars.

#### PLUMPTON

Selections By Mandarin

1.0 Fighting Sun. 1.30 Spitfire Jubilee. 2.0 Robeson. 2.30 None Too Dear. 3.0 Came Down. 3.30 Katie Scarlett.

Going: good to soft 1.0 OFFHAM NOVICES HURDLE (£1,360: 2m) (18

812 CRYSTAL BEAM 27 (CD.F) P Kaleway 11-1 JA Harin
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813 CRYSTAL BEAM 27 (CD.F) P Kaleway 11-1 JA Harin
814 CHARDA SHA TESF M KINAMIN 10-10 P Holloy (2)
PROMEINA SHA TESF M KINAMIN 10-10 J Leach (2)
91 PLOREDA GOLD 2 D Wilson 10-10 J Beach (2)
92 PLOREDA GOLD 2 D Wilson 10-10 J Harvey
93 MASROGO 23 A Moore 10-10 G Moore
P SPANDSH ENVOY 12F J Alarkurst 10-10 J Powell
93 STALMCH RIVAL ARF G TYDOWN 10-10 J Lawrence
0 VERRO 27 J Bearnet 10-10 N Durse
45 WITHOUT EDIMAL 39 M Managerick 10-10
94 ALBURY CREY 45 R Curtis 10-5 R Goldstein
95 CHARTER LIGHTE 20 J Jenishs 10-5 12 80 ALBURY CREY & R Curis 10-5 R Goldstein 18 0 CHARTES LIGHTS 23 Junions 10-5 R Goldstein 18 0 CHARTES LIGHTS 23 Junions 10-5 A McCabe (7) F PLAYTHE BLUES 200F J. Joseph 10-5 J. Newwork 20 F AND ALEN 13 at Maggarities 10-5 W Indias 11-4 Crystal Baum, 7-2 Black Septime, 9-2 B Volador, Glessblower, 8-1 Fighting Sun, 18-1 others.

1.30 ARDINGLY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,590: 2m) (10) 1 00-0 COLNE VALLEY KID 13 (CD,S) A Moore 5-12-0 2-3490 SPITFIRE (UBBLEE 25 (D.F) R Hodges 4-11-5 A Tony 15)
3 9-94 L'ENCHENE 20 CD.F.(8) G Grooty 5-11-3 G Hoove
4 (9-9 VRIZBARS BAY 22 (D.F) J Long 4-11-12 R Goldensle
5 FF PERSIAN SULTAN 27 Mass L Bover 3-11-6 R Rowall
6 000F EN HAAS 27 B Dyland 4-10-8 G Meetle
7 043 MEPSON CODE 30 B Meetle 3-10-6 L Herrey
8 4000 MY HEEF SH J BOSECK 5-10-5 M Bovelly
9 0653 LOVELY WONGA 5 (CD,F) D Wison 4-18-4 10 0800 LLANELLY 17 (0) G Ros 3-10-0 P Nichamoti

3-1 Spitfire Jubilee, 4-1 Messon Code, 5-1 My Reef, 6-1 L'Enchers, 8-1 Coine Valley Kd, 18-1 thn Nass, 12-1 others. Course specialists

20 M & H RACING HANDICAP CHASE (£2.898; 3m 1 -112 MESTER ED 13 (CD.SF.F.A.S) A Cursa 7-11-12 2 AM RALEICH GAZELLE 9 (5) W G M Turner 8-10-4 3 SP42 LE GRAND MAITRE S1 (CD.EF.F.Q.S) G ROS 9-10-4

4 46/5 ROBESON 55 (3) J Girtord 7-10-2 E McKinley 5 60R CASTLE OAKS 4 (0.5) D Gardonio 7-10-0 B Present 5 528 TOURISHAD 1 (CDL)? R O'Subrian 7-10-0 B Present 2-1 Le Grand Matre, 11-4 Misser Ed. 7-2 Ruinigh Gazelle, 5-1 Robeson, 10-1 Toulished, 12-1 Castle Oaks. 2.30 DEREK HAMBLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,595: 2m 4f) (12)

1 /I.-F CANTAMEGA 41 (0) Mrs J Picram 5-11-10. M Bewiley 2 652- MONE TOO DEAR 296 (CD,0) G Seiding 8-11-3 A Clasiflon 3 /U-0 MONETARY FUND 9 (5) R Aleburst 6-10-12 L Revey 4 6-PP CAM D'ORSAY 2 (CD,5) F O'Mahony 5-10-11 5 F/F1 MEARS DI SPRING 8 (D,0) Miss B Sanders 7-10-10 B Powers

8 -112 YELOW SPRING 31 (7) D Grissel 5-10-9 R Goldstein 7 80-0 TEXAN COMBOY 30 (C.S.) Gifford 8-10-2 E Bistylley 8 1/F- RUN FREE 5IF (S) Pix Mitchell 5-10-1 — A Tory (D) 9 6-95 GREENHULE FRIDE 26 (S) J Jankins 5-10-0 — 10 50-6 TRIBAL DRUM 28 (CO.A.S.) D Strowning 11-10-0 5-2 Mant in Spring, 100-30 Yellow Spring, 4-1 Cantamaga, 6-1 None 700 Deer, 10-1 Run Free, 12-1 Greenhills Pride. 3.0 BRYAN ROBINSON CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS

HANDICAP CHASE (£2,280: 2m) (7) 

6 FPP6 MESPITE 27 (2,F) B Bytord 9-10-2. A Wingste (7)
7 D-25 SHANGOSEER 17 (0,S) J White 9-10-1. J Tales
7-4 Carne Down, 100-30 Bendicks, 4-1 Forcad March,
6-1 Stamposeer, 8-1 Shitterfield, 20-1 others. 3.30 KEYMER NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (21,574: 2m) (10)

1 511U DECIDING BID 8 (CO,F,G) J Long 4-11-10
Lesses Long (7) 5 GP-0 BOLD GUARD 15 (V) D Williams 5-11-1 R Strongs 5 GS0- SWINGERS MOE JOE 356 F Abstract 4-10-10 L Hervey 7 GS-5 NATHER 11 P Builty 4-10-6 L LIMITED S 8 4-08 KATE SCARETT 9 J Bridger 4-10-5 L LIMITED S 9 PP-0 GINGER WINGS 9 A MOOTI 6-10-4 Will Position (7) 10 S8-0 EASTERN EVENING 8 J Long 5-10-3 Wild J Position (7) 7-2 Decising Bid, 4-1 Secret Summit, 5-1 Katle Scarten, 8-1 Jolesten, 8-1 Krussytich, 10-1 Nathir, 12-1 others.

#### SOUTHWELL

Selections

By Mandarin 12.30 Asturias. 1.0 Gold Minories. 1.30 Tudor D'Or. 2.0 Rain-N-Sun. 2.30 High Chateau. 3.0

Going: standard 12.30 ESSO SUPERLUBE EX2 HANDICAP HUR-

DLE (£1,562: 2m) (9 runners) ILE (27,562: 271) (9 FUNDSTS)

1 2-04 ASTURIAS 19 (ILP) A Stringer 7-11-10 P Niver

2 -000 PHYRAFAIR 5 (D.P) R Lee 9-11-3 Learne Edwidge (7)

3 22M CURVET 13F (D.F) M Chapman 5-10-12. A 5 Statio (7)

4 USFG GLOED YOUTH 42 (D.P) Miss K George 5-10-12

D Signas (3)

5 -RES FEARSTEE 17 (0.0) S Avery 8-10-9 D Signas (3)

6 -542 KONGYS CRUSSADE 28 (60) D Winter 7-10-8. A Causti 7 40 O GENERAL SELXY 47 P David 5-10-2 Tamys David 8 -800 TROPICO 38 UWards 7-10-0 M Section 7 40 O SHEEZE AWAY BEN 12 Miss K George 8-10-0 J Station 9 RESEZE AWAY BEN 12 Miss K George 8-10-0 J Children (7)

2-1 Curvet, 3-1 Assurtas, King's Crusada, 9-2 Phyriatair, 12-1 Feasible, 16-1 Others. 1.0 ESSO QUALITY AT WORK CLAIMING HUR-DLE (£1,828: 2m) (18)

B ELHUDHUD 19F (B) R Subba 3-10-2 A C 2540 TRISTAN'S COMET 30 J Harris 3-10-6 B Reigh 40 MCHOLAS PAYNE 42 J Harris 3-10-7 A Juntos RAGTONE 100F D Burchall 3-10-7 D J Stan

Course specialists TRANSPR: S Christian, 7 winners from 17 runners, 41,2%; Mrs V Acordey, 4 from 13, 30,8%; G Richerds, 21 from 81, 25,9%; D Burchell, 10 from 42, 23,8%; R Lee, 3 from 14, 21,4%; Mrs S Oliver, 4 from 20, 20,0%. 1.30 DESIGN CONTRACTORS MAIDEN HURDLE

(ET,785: 2m) (T5)

1 USE SLAY HATTCH 177F R Muckin 5-10-12. P Williams (7)

2 D SSTVIMM 19 Mrs 3 Oliver 7-10-12. R Myselic GOOD MEDICINE 56F D Burchell 5-10-12 D J Burchell 4 SEG GREENWINE 5 P Belley 4 10-12. Br E Balley (7)

5 MAMOOR Mess K George 4-10-12. D Skyrme (2)

6 DEFALLESE 19 R Marvin 6-10-12. W Wortsington 7 4553 MICKEL SE VER 16 O Richards 5-10-12. W Wortsington 9 DEF- SAMRIT ART 622 P Felgans 6-10-12. J D Central 10 -109 APPLE PP 25 Mrs B Lampman 4-10-12. St Umar 10 -109 APPLE PP 25 Mrs B Lampman 4-10-7. R D Telfer 11 LIGHT HAMD 35F M Tompkirs 4-10-7. R D Telfer 11 SCH THAMD 35F M TOMPkirs 4-10-7. R Denois 12 02-0 RATHER GORGEOUS 19 J H Wilson 5-10-7. P Revenue 14 60F- STARLIGHT WORDER 251 R Bert 4-10-7. Mrs S Swiers 15 GEZ TUDOR O'OR 48 N.5e 7-10-7. P & Reightbuy 6-2 TUDOR O'OR 48 N.5e 7-10-7. P & Reightbu 5-2 Tudor D'Or, 100-30 Nickel Silver, 9-2 Light Hand, Lots Of Luck, 7-1 Greenwine, 8-1 Estwing, 12-1 Others.

2.0 ESSO TIGER NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,492: 2m 2f) (8) 1 1144 CARTHAGENA COTTAGE 28 (C) Mrs V Aco 

2-1 Rain-N-Sun, 5-2 Carmagene Cottage, 9-2 Just Great, 7-1 High Noddy, 10-1 Bold Archer, 12-1 others. 2.30 ESSO UNIFORM HANDICAP HURDLE (AMSteurs: £1,582: 2m 4f) (8)

20 EST,582: 2m 4f) (8)
1 2215 ORESN SILVER \$2 (0,5) G Pichards 8-11-10
C Chart (7) 2 3UA4 FISHY SUN 25 (V,F) R Barr 5-11-5 Systems 3 0051 HIGH CHATEAU 5 (D,F) J Spearing 6-10-13 (Box)

All Sun T Spearing (7)
4 2049 RESONOOD NO 46 D Williams 4-10-2 L Needs (7)
5 0-60 ORLEANS SOUND 33 (H) J Harris 6-10-0 A Walson (7)
6 4300 EVENNIC SUNSET 5 (V) Mass G Rego 4-10-0
9 Aveny (7) S Avery (7 1979 WELSH MANSION 19 (8) P Davis 4-10-0 R With (7 8 004 HAPPY CAVALLER 217 R Berr 5-10-0. Mrs J Bross (7)

11-10 High Chatesu, 2-1 Green Silver, 7-1 Flory Su Needwood Imp, 16-1 Evening Suneet, 26-1 others. 3.0 ESSO LUBRICATION SERVICE TO INDUSTRY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,562: 3m) (9)

15-8 Beven Lights, 11-4 Olympus Reaf, 4-1 Muba 6-1 Mount Torus, 10-1 Caravet's Choice, 12-1 others.

#### Cavvies Clown setback

CHELTENHAM Gold Cup perennial Cavvies Clown will not compete in the big race this season. The ten-year-old has suffered a setback and will be out of action until the 1991-92 campaign at the earliest.

Cavvies Clown has been a leading light in the last three Gold Cups and gained his best placing when second to Charter Party in 1988.

David Elsworth refused to miss Saturday's Save & Prosper Man-

David Elsworth refused to elaborate on the horse's problem, but said: "He won't run this term but I hope he'll be back the road to a full recovery.



Another Pipe-trained run-Beau, but on this occasion I ner, Kumakas Nephew, looks fence. CHELTENHAM Selections

> 1.20 Formula One. 1.55 Al Hashimi Michael Seely's selection: 2,30 Run For Free.

By Mandarin

Guide to our in-line racecard 1 115143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF,F,Q,S) (Mrs D Robinson) 8 Helf 12-0 ..... \_\_ B Weet (7) ME Recorded number. Six-figure form (F - tell.
P - pulled up. U - unseeted rider. S - brought down. S - slipped up. R - refused.
D - disqualified. Horse's name. Days S - soft, good to firm, hard. G - good.
S - sloped up. R - refused.
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12.45 LANSDOWN NOVICES HURDLE (£3,500; 2m) (17 runners) P Great
D Callugher
Ascopi Officer ... R Roses 117 CANNENG'S COLLEGE /R Ha

BETTING: 3-1 Strong Beau, 7-2 Dusty Miller, 9-2 La Clemage, 7-1 Yeomen Crickster, 18-1 Sunshine Flight, 12-1 Pice Sword, 14-1 Obtation, Roscoe Bess, Rose Verture, 25-1 Nights Jos, 23-1 others. 1999: ACRE HILL 6-11-0 S Smith Scales (5-1) M Handerson 14 ran

FORM FOCUS LA CEENAGA headed good contest won by Gassid at Kernston (2m); earfer 201 2md to Tyrone Bridge (not 4tb) at Wolverhampton (2m 4f, good to soft).

ROSS VENTURE 4th beaten 25t by Fishid (not 13tb)
Abroad (not 11tb) 1/51 at Utbowster (2m, now, good).

DRIVING FORCE 2nd beaten 25t by Eider Prince

(2m) and soft).

Salection: LA CEENAGA

(converted and beaten 25tb)

(converted the beaten 41/51 by Deep Sensetion (gove 8tb) at Warwick (2m, good).

VECTOR (2m, now, soft).

Salection: LA CEENAGA

1.20 BROADWAY NOVICES CHASE (£5,208: 3m 1f) (6 runners)

ewcastle on Sarurday.

The six-year-old, trained by Monteith

Moment of Truth was in the clear and at Rosewell near Edinburgh, cashed in | came home 15 lengths ahead of Edberg.

CATTERICK BRIDGE Selections

12,45 Without A Doubt. 1.15 Abbot Of Furness.

2.15 Norquay. 2.45 Downhill Run. 3.15 Choctaw.

Going: good to firm (chase course); good (hurdles) 12.45 CAMP NOVICES CHASE (\$2,137: 2m) (5 runners) 1 5116-11 LAST 'O' THE BUNCH # (CD.F.G.S) (G Middlebrook) G Filcherds 8-12-0-2 453/95 KCHI BAN 90M 20 (B Kilpetrick) A Smith 6-11-4 5988 LE JACOBIN 28 (B) (B Gee) B Gee 7-11-4 5989 LE JACOBIN 28 (B) (B Gee) B Gee 7-11-4 5989 M MACARTHARS 9 (D.B.F./G.) (M.R.A. Heristor) M W Essimby 5-11-4 5988-990 WITHOUT A DOUBT 38 (CD.S) (T Tate) T Tets 8-11-4 68-1 1-

BETTING: 4-9 Last 'O' The Bunch, 9-2 Mecanthyr, Without A Doubt, 33-1 Ichi Ban Son, Le Jacobin. 1988: ROYAL GREEK 7-11-4 M Hammond (7-4 fav) & Moore 10 ran 1.15 STAND NOVICES HURDLE (£1,772: 2m) (15 runners) 

BETTING: 13-8 Blacksburg, 3-1 Abbot Of Furness, 4-1 String Express, 7-1 Strong Chance, 12-1 Big Bea Boy, 14-1 Sharde Hill, 18-1 others. 1989: JANE'S JOY 4-11-0 P Niver (5-6 fax) Mrs G Reveloy & run

Course specialists

TRAINERS

1988: COLOMBIERS 4-11-0 M Hammond (8-1) G Moore 17 (an 2,45 ZETLAND HANDICAP CHASE (22,409: 2m) (6 runners) 1 42113P- DOWNHILL HUM 216 (D.F.O) Dan K Bytsoto J Bhinatt 9-11-10.
2 UP9-141 LIGHTWATER AGAIN 20 (D.Q.S) (Max F Roper) C Beever 3-11-8
8 11322P INPARY 3 (D.F.Q.S) (J J O'Nell) J J O'Nell 11-11-0.
9 12313P- STARJESTIC 229 (D.F.Q.S) (H Higglan) har P Barles 12-10-12
5 194440- CAVALIER CROSSETT 422 (D.S) (E Cains) E Cains 9-10-10.
8 F22732 PEACEWORK 6 (D.F.) (S St. P Burticjo) Mrs G Reveley 5-10-1.
SETTING: 15-6 Lightwater Again, 3-1 Pencework, 7-2 Impany, 8-1-1. 1988: PYJAMAS 6-11-10 N Doughty (5-2) G Richards 4 ran 3.15 BARTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,970: 3m 1f 80yd) (9 runners) 1 3-49316 THARBIS 8 (G) (D Orury) W Bentley 5-11-12.
2 (4016-0 ADMRING A-MORE 16 (G) (Mrs W Turke) Jirany Fitzgereid 8-11-7.
3 (6068) SEAN BOY 6 (F,G) (Mrs S Easterby) M H Easterby 12-11-5.
4 12165-1 CHOCTAW 20 (F,S) (J Yeadon) P Beaumoth 8-10-12.
5 (SPRIS- WARRICKS CODE 288 (D Todd) D Todd 7-10-8.
6 POJ HUMAN SUMPISE 24 (F) (J Covern) J Medick 4-10-1.
7 301 CAROUSEL CALYPOO 16 (G) (A Secont more) M Hammond 4-10-1.
8 8942-5 ALACSHUM 10 (Mrs M Rehyort) P Earnester 5-10-0.
9 261006 ENCHANTED COURT 9 (S) (Mrs M Crooks) R Land 6-10-0.

Long handlesp: Barony lais 9-11.

1/461 BELDBNE 16 (D,P,S) (L1-Col W L Montelth) P Montaith 5-11-10 D Notes St. Page 14/461 BELDBNE 16 (D,P,S) (L1-Col W L Montelth) P Montaith 5-11-10 D Notes St. Page 14 NORCHAY 28F (D,P,S) (PuR Circle Thoroughbrede G Phi) N Tinkler 5-11-10, G McCoent St. D4-155 PENHELL 12 (D,P) (T Walle) G Moore 5-11-10. Bt. Dayer People BELLE ISLE BILL 10 (B) (W Smith) W Smith 6-11-0. Bt. Dayer D Condell B4 PURS COURAR 10 (Bochnorth Racing Lsó) Mrs 8 Austin 4-11-0. D Weldmann Part No. Cours St. Page 15 Page 15-10 Page 15-1 4 MARCHING STAR 20 (I Heldere) J Heldere 4-10-9 Mrs G Paveley 4-10-8 R Hedge (7) SETTING: 5-2 Norquey, 11-4 Rose Of High Legh, 9-2 Penhill, 6-1 Bekine, 10-1 Cougar, Marching Stur, others.

Lang hendicap: Cercusel Calypso 9-9, Aleichrun 9-7, Escherted Court §-12. BETTING: 5-2 Hiner Sumbse, 3-7 Chockey, 5-1 Cercusal Calypso, Thereis, 8-1 Admir is, 10-1 Seen Boy, 20-1 others.

1989: WARGAME 9-11-5 Mr P Doyle (7-2) A Batey B ran

201 2415-IF DUNTRIEE 11 (BF,Q,S) (Mrs J Moxici) D Nicholson 5-11-4 R Deservoody
202 245-111 MANERAKI SHRIFFLE 25 (8,D,F,Q) (Mrs J Dibbert) C Sherwood 8-11-4 J Ceberne
203 37-4F21 MAYORAN 10 (F,Q) (Lord Circton) D Buscrus 8-11-4 R Devices
204 1/F223-2 FORMULA OME 10 (BF,S) (D Devices) J Edwards 8-11-0 N Williamson
205 350-FFF FEA SAL 2 (8) (D Ward) M Oliver 7-11-0 J Features
206 84-2030 RONNIE WILL 31 (Tavern Syndicate) N Twiston-Device 7-11-0 C Sharake FORM FOCUS DUNTREE was in the lead when failing 12th in a contest won by Pamber Priory at Towcaster (2m 5/f; earlier beat Tiber River (tovels) 7/ at Stratford (2m 5/f; earlier beat Tiber River (tovels) 7/ at Stratford (2m 5/f), bandPRAM SHIFFLE beat Bradwall (red 84, pood). MANDRAM SHIFFLE beat Bradwall (red 44), the only finisher, 31 at Uttooster (3m 24, good). Selection: FORMULA ONE (nab) Moment Of Truth, bought for just 5,600 guiness by Peter Monteith at the Doncaster sales, was the emphatic winner of the £35,000 added Northumberland Gold Cup Novices' Chase at Newcastle on Sapurday. Newcastle on Saturday.

# Bassett's high flyers fall to earth

THE festive holiday period is not decisive, as is commonly supposed. Nothing halfway through the season can be conclusive, but, in condensing a month of fixtures into ten days, the programme can reveal the paths chibs are likely to follow.

It points to those who, like the decorations, could come down after Christmas. Chelsea and Derby County, and especially Sunderland and Wimbledon who failed to collect a single point from their three games, have suddenly lost impetus which cannot soon or easily be regained. Since two of the weekends in January are reserved for the FA Cup, any damage recently inflicted will

Others, such as Coventry City, Leeds United and Oueen's Park Rangers, have by contrast launched themselves up the table.

At Highbury on Saturday, Sheffield United were 40 minutes away from joining the elevated group and compiling the most improbable sequence of the season. The club which had for four months lay dormant at the foot of the table was about to secure a third successive

Not only that; United were on the verge of breaking the one unbeaten record left in the whole League. The prospect was alarming enough to induce a sense of panic so chaotic that they fell apart and Arsenal, in the words of George Graham, their manager, "went to town".

United's convincing poise before the interval was all the more remarkable considering their state of health. Dave Bassett. Graham's counterSTUART JONES

stomach bug three members of his squad had been ruled out and four others missed the pre-match meal and left their sick beds in order to

The psychological effect of those 40 spectacular minutes could reach far into the new year. Sheffield United, instead of earning the right to bathe in the glory of the biggest upset of the season, were left to reflect on the ruins of a comprehensive 4-1 In beating Nottingham

Forest and Luton Town, they had refuted the suggestion that they might be the worst first division side in living memory. In the first half, during which they deservedly took the lead through Bryson's glancing header and twice threatened to extend it, they confirmed their renewed stature. But the belief they had collected over the holidays was punctured, illegitimately according to their manager, and eventually

The initial incision was made by the referee, who saw Vinnie Jones pull the shirt of Perry Groves and awarded a penalty. Bassett was puzzled and incensed. "It just proves my point that big clubs get penalties and the little 'uns don't. I've got nothing against Arsenal, but I wish we could get penalties like that. We haven't had one all season. If we do. I'll have to check whether the referee's name is

His view was less than magnaminous. Groves was visibly impeded by one of his pursuers in the area. The only doubt concerned the identity

punished by Dixon.

The identity of the scorer of Arsenal's second goal was equally clouded in confusion. Winterburn's miscued shot apparently was turned into his own net by Beesley, but Bassett was prepared to allow Smith to take the credit.

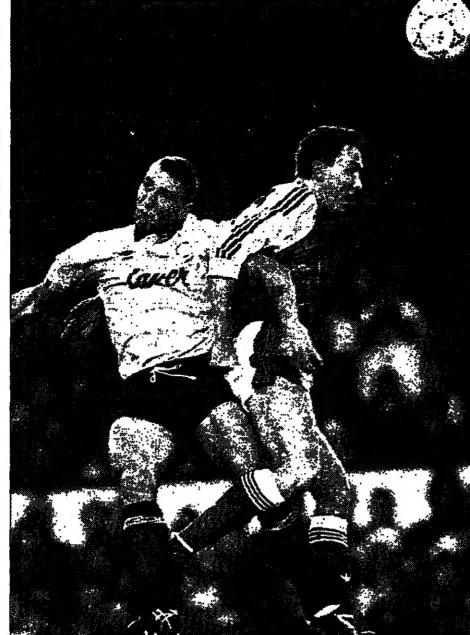
Thereafter, there could be no disputing the extent of Arsenal's extraordinary transformation. Tentative and disjointed at the start, they were by the end contemptuously arrogant. Michael Thomas added the third, Smith the fourth, to lift his total to 11 in nine games, and there could have been

several more. "That was our best football of the season," Graham said. Even I enjoyed some of our interpassing and our last goal

Having lost their captain Adams, and dropped six points in the previous four games, Arsenal were in need of a mental boost before tomorrow's potentially awkward visit to Manchester City. Belatedly and crucially, they did so. "We are back on the right path again," Graham said.

Bassett offered them further encouragement. The way in which "they killed us off with their qualities" re-inforced his belief, first expressed before the season started, that Arsenal will end it as the champions. His tip as the most dangerous dark horses, incidentally, was Leeds.

ARSENAL: D Seeman: L Dixon, N Winterburn (sub: D O'Leary), M Thomas, S Bould, A Linighest, P Groves (sub: A Cole), P Devis, A Smith, P Moreon, A Linper, SHEFFRELD UNITED: S Tracey; C Wilder, R Luces, V Jones, P Beesley, C Hill, I Bryson, J Germon, B Merwood (sub: P Wood), B Deane, J Hoyland.



Locked in combat: Jones, left, and Linighan wrestle for possession at Highbury

# Impressive Quinn provides timely confidence boost

By CHRIS MOORE

Nottingham Forest ...... Manchester City.....

MANCHESTER City, and Niall Quinn in particular, face Arsenal tomorrow intent on proving that there is, after all, a silver lining to the cloud hang-ing over Maine Road following Howard Kendall's abdication. They put their first two defeats under their new player-

manager, Peter Reid, minny behind them with victory on Saturday at the expense of an ailing Forest. It was their first success away from Maine Road this season, and, of added significance for the statisticians, their first away win on a Saturday in the top flight for almost five years, since winning 2-0 at Tottenham on January

back-to-back beatings against Crystal Palace and Southamp-ton either side of Christmas doesn't mean we're a bad side." Reid said. "This was the result we wanted before playing Arsenal, and it's given us the confidence we needed. If we don't think we can beat them, no one else will.

"They're a quality side in every respect. But we've got a few quality players ourselves."
Brian Clough would no doubt testify to that after this latest defeat for Forest, who have kept only one clean sheet in their last 13 games and conceded 15 goals

in the last six.

Clough has rarely looked as angry or as exasperated as he suffered in anything but silence at Forest's latest demise. He had already berated his all-England defence, Walker included, for playing in a manner likely to make the young goalkeeper. Crossley, "a bundle of nerves".

home dressing room afterwards now that they have lost more matches this season than they

have won? Quinn's two first-half goals. which took his tally for the season to nine, undoubtedly make him the man his old club

will fear most at Maine Road

"I don't need firing up for this one," the giant Republic of Ireland international said. "Especially as they haven't got Tony Adams to mark me.
"If we give it everything. I think we can beat them, though I'd much rather we beat them

with Tony in their side." Arsenal, however, can be guaranteed to give Quinn a closer shadow than Forest afforded him. He jumped virtually unhindered to head City into a tenth-minute lead from

Brightwell's free kick.
Then, after Tommy Gaynor had equalised within three minutes after being put clear by Keane's perfectly-timed through-pass, it was Quinn who restored City's advantage mid-way into the half, being the first to react as White's shot bounced down off the underside of the

He almost volleyed another before the interval and later made the telling run that paved the way for City's third, from the substitute, Clarke. Forest, it must be said, had

dominated the third quarter, twice being denied by splendid saves from Coton, but Clarke's White's cross killed the contest and exposed a glimpse of that silver lining for the first time.

SILVET INDIES FOR THE TITS! TUTTIC.

NOTTINGHAM PORIEST: M Crossley: B
Laws, S Pearce, D Walker, S Chettle, T
Wilson, F Carr, R Keane, N Clough, T
Geynor (eath: P Starbuck), G Parker (sub:
G Crosby).

MANCHESTER CITY: A Coton:
Brightwell, N Pointon, P Reid, C Hendry, S
Redmond, D White, A Heath (sub: W
Clarke), N Cauta, G Megaon, M Ward.

Referee, L Sheoter.

since he was 16, was credited in

some quarters with Luton's opening goal, after 56 minutes, when a free kick from Preece went in off a head in a crowded

area. Honesty prevailed afterwards. The ball, in fact,

## Weakened Chelsea lose way in front of goal

DESPITE being without some £5 million worth of inter-national talent in the injured Tomoral talent in the injured Gordon Durie, Andy Townsend, Tony Dorigo and Kenneth Monkou, and fielding a side with seven players aged 23 or under, Chelsea suffered a second successive defeat away from home only because of their confirms finishing. profligate finishing.

Luton Town survived to record their setond victory in 12.

League games and left Jim Ryan, approaching his first anniversary as their manager, reflecting: "We played more like a Luton team ought to do, particularly in the second half."

Ryan, like Bobby Campbell, his Chelsea counterpart, beaged 21, for his League debut in place of the out-of-touch North-Dowie, and was rewarded with a

Farrell, at Kenilworth Road

skimmed off Jason Cundy for an own goal, the only blemish on what his manager rated as an outstanding performance by the England under-21 defender. Kingsley Black, in impressive form, drove in the second goal after 83 minutes to leave Chelsea ruing their neglected

Kerry Dixon should have given his side the lead when a centre found him unmarked in front of goal, but he could not

control the opportunity. Five minutes later, Stuart had an exhilarating run past four defenders before rounding Chamberlain and rolling his shot towards the goal, only for McDonough to clear off the line.

LUTON TOWN: A Chamberlein; M Johnson (sub: J James), R Harvey, S Williams, D McDonough, J Drayer, L Estrup, D Prece, S Farrell, J Rese, K Black.
CHELSEA: D Bessent; G Hall, G Le Sauci, D Les (sub: K McAlister), J Cundy, E Johnsen, G Stuart, J Burnsteed (sub: A Dickers), K Dixon, K Wilson, D Wise.
Reference: M Reed.

#### Time pays dividends for Taylor

By WALTER GAMMIE

Woking. ENFIELD are a famous club whose sails are filling after a spell in the doldrums, and in beating Woking on Saturday glide into the race leaders bunched at the head of the Vauxhall League premier division.
"They're the best side in the

league and we didn't play."
Geoff Chapple, the Woking manager, said. Woking, top of the table at the start, had the distraction of an FA Cup third round tie at West Bromwich

next Saturday.

Enfield's drive and greater adaptability to the muddy conditions became evident in a match in which Woking, their minds elsewhere, seemed to come in at half-time content on the game remaining scoreless.
Two minutes after the interval. Pearce struck a left-foot shot

val. Pearce struck a left-1001 snot from the edge of the penalty area that curved along the ground out of the reach of Read.
Britnell added a second. 20 the ball over the line after the Woking defence was unable to cope with a high, hanging cross by Brush. Peter Taylor, the Enfield

manager, gave a tireless performance in midfield. The former England winger preaches the doctrine of all-out effort and clearly practises it. "The club has had a couple of disappointing seasons, and when I took the job I signed some very good players." Taylor said. As for Woking, Taylor said: "They're the best side we've a bit of football. They will be of the season." A first-four figure attendance, of 1.268, at Southbury Road this season reflected both the sides' appeal and Taylor's progresses his side and Taylor's progress: his side has won nine and drawn one out

of ten league matches since losing at Woking on October 30. RISING at WOKING On October 30. ENFIELD: A Pepe; P Turner, C Warmington, M Keen. G Pearce, P Bush. G Britnell, M Kane. P Furlong (sub: T Mason), M Robinson, P Tsylor. WOKING: T Psad: S Mitchell, A Cowler, B Prati. T Baron. L Wye. D Brown, M Biggins (sub: T Worsloid). S Wye. T Buzaglo (sub: P Mulvaney), M Franks.

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# Honest effort falls short

By PETER BALL

Manchester United....... 1 Aston Villa ...

IT SAID everything about an interesting but strangely in-conclusive match before the season's largest crowd at Old Trafford on Saturday (47,485) that the two goals were a penalty and an own goal. To add to the suspicion that the same was slightly out of synch, a sub-stitute, lan Ormondroyd, of Aston Villa, was the key figure in both strikes.

The result gave little to either party, doing nothing for United's pursuit of the leaders and not a lot for Villa's efforts to halt their disastrous plunge down the table. Since the high point of their first leg victory over Internazionale, Villa's de-

ball as they collected only their

Paul McGrath looked the outstanding player on the pitch, and with Price, who won his battle with the dangerous Sharpe, Neilsen and Mountfield all sticking to their tasks deter-minedly, they sold themselves dearly, while behind them Spink made some fine saves to frus-trate Webb, Hughes and Bruce.

No one could fault Villa's determination. They did not look a side who should be in trouble, but nor did they ever look likely to score, and it took Pallister's own goal from Ormondroyd's cross to give them their point after the substitute had conceded the penalty from which Bruce scored.

Cascarino, Olney and Ormondroyd, Villa's three main forwards, have managed only

them, and once Daley limped away after ten minutes there he kicked Pallister's header off the line as United's pressure built in the second half. They gave the ball away far too often, however, and it sometimes seems that Platt's concentration does not match his

Goels are also proving a problem for United, who prob-ably did enough after a low-key beginning to feel slightly chested not to get three points. But saying United were a bit unlucky is not the whole story In his programme column,

Alex Ferguson was again ex-ercised by the FA's decision to dock United a point for their fraces with Arsenal. The League table suggests, however, that there will be more basic reasons if United fail to qualify for Europe - like still being not

Farcious 4,100

Leeds leave early for Anfield By Ian Ross

Leeds United

WITH the benefit of that most se of sciences, hindsight, Wimbledon, was able to pinpoint exactly where things had gone astray. "I showed them too much respect and perhaps my players did too." he said. "I had seen Leeds six times this season and I knew that they were strong and well-organised.

Harford inferred that the employed were designed to reduce the effectiveness of Strachan and Batty, the pro-digious workers at the beart of Leeds's abundantly productive

difficult to gauge just how much the fact that they were coasting." he said. "Wimbledon are at their

to Anfield around 3.45pm," he said. "The second half was a Harford was correct, for when classic example of what can his team did revert to their more traditional direct format, the three-goal advantage, which Leeds had amassed during an embarrassingly one-sided openhappen if your concentration goes and with it your appetite for winning."

After Chapman had com-

ing half, did not seem quite the insurmountable barrier it should have been. On five occasions between the sixtieth and 68th minutes, Wimbledon could have scored, but the poor finishing of McGee and the ill-fortune of Fashanu

and Phelan, who both struck the crossbar with long-range shots, ensured that the home side ded in extending to 14 games an unbeaten sequence which now spans more than two Surprisingly, Howard Wil-

the Leeds manager,

Tennents Scottish Cup

bined a deft first touch with a

sublime finish to open the scoring in the tenth minute, Leeds produced some faultless football, which not even Wimbledom's frustrating offside

Speed, the game's outstanding individual, added a second in

the fifteenth minute after Joseph

had stumbled as he attempted to

control Lukic's enormous clear-

ance and Sterland collected his

fourth goal in five games on the

stroke of half-time when he

touched home a Strachan corner

trap could disrupt.

WEEKEND RESULTS, TABLES AND GOALSCORERS

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JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES
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WEEKLY WYNNER LEAGUE: Printing

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Sampdoria, played 13, 19the: 2, Inner Millan, 14, 18; 3, AC Millan, 13, 18.

LEADRIO SCORERS (League goals in brackets): First division: 15: R Wegerie (Queen's Park Rangers, 14), 14: I Rush (Liverpool, 9, 13: D Platt (Aston Villa, 8); D Saunders (Darby County, 10); L Chapman (Leeds Uritad, 11); M Le Tissier (Southampton, 10); P Gascoigne (Tottenham Hotspur, 7, 11: A Smith (Arsenal, 8); I Wight (Crystair Pakes, 8); P Beardsiey (Liverpool, 11); L Eistrup (Lunon Town, 10); G Lineker (Tottenham Hotspur, 10); Secand division: 19: D Hirst (Sheffield Wedneedey, 14), 18: S Bull (Wolverhampton Wanderers, 17), 16: A Payton (Hull, 10); G Lineker (Tottenham Hotspur, 10); Secand division: 19: D Hirst (Sheffield Wedneedey, 14), 18: S Bull (Wolverhampton Wanderers, 17), 16: A Payton (Hull, 10); S Saven (Medicasbrough, 11); 14: M Smaff (Shefitton and Hove Abion, 11); 16: M Smaff (Shefitton and Hove Abion, 11); 10: Bedderd (Port Vale, 14), 12: N Morgan (Bristol City, 8); D Kally (Lalcester City, 11); I Sard (Highdesbrough, 11); Third division: 16: B Angel (Southerd United, 7); D Page (Wigen Athletic, 11), 14: A Sussax (Crewe Alexandra, 8); S Castis (Layton Orient, 7); J Giffigan (Swansses City, 11); 12: L Bissett (Bournemouth, 10); 11: T Serior (Reading, 11); 11: A Sussandra, 9); 1 Bariparnin (Southerd United, 7); Pourth division: 18: S Rimmer (Walssal, 13), 18: S Butter (Malidstone Lichted, 17); 16: G Puccket (Addershot, 10); S Lovell (Gillingham, 13); 14: J Alson (Southerd United, 8); 13: P Cupin (Periorborough, 8).

# Lineker's well dry without muscular midfield authority

By CLIVE WHITE

Southampton. Tottenham Hotspur...

IF, IN their financial plight, Tottenham Hotspur are forced to part with Paul Gascoigne or Gary Lineker, Saturday's match, on the face of it, supported keeping the

Tottenham supporters who travelled to the Deli on a damp, dreary winter's day were given some idea of how miserable life could be without "Gazza" when, with their hero incapacitated by a stomach virus, they saw their team stumble to its heaviest defeat in 15 months.

It was unclear, though, how much of that was due to the absence of an exceptional that Stewart missed two good player and how much to the chances, one of which he degree of reliance which Tottenham have unhealthily Flowers immediately before placed upon him. Manchester United would bear testimony to the danger of that, but also of how they have discovered that they can prosper as well, if not better, without Bryan Robson's overwhelming

A more accurate analogy would have been Fulham still existed from last season. without Johnny Haynes, even if there is a good deal more ham manager, is to be com-latent ability within the plimented for papering over Tottenham side than that them so successfully for so which owed its existence in long. The need to buy is the first division for so many obvious, but Tottenham can years to the perfect service of barely afford a bag of Polyfilla English football's finest these days, never mind a new

CHRIS Waddle has spent the Christmas period training with his old club, Newcastle United, as he awaits the resumption of

the French season after its mid-

and England winger took his seat in the Milburn Stand at St

On Saturday, the Marseilles

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Tottenham missed Gas-coigne for the quality of his could be further stretched for final ball, too, but also for the muscular authority which he brings to midfield and which the smaller Samways, neat and skilful though he is, comprehensively failed to provide as his deputy. Southampton were also the first to admit that the menace at direct free kicks near their goal was another weapon rendered useless in the absence of

Gascoigne.

should be done.

It was, perhaps, some in-dication of the lack of quality in Tottenham's service that Lineker failed to score against team who had the worst defensive record in the first division, though typically he flung himself with great gusto at a few lost causes. Against feebly volleyed straight at Le Tissier showed him how it

It required little more than a spirited performance from Shearer, aided by Le Tissier's flashes of brilliance and Wallace's flashes of pace, to reveal cracks in the Tottenham defence which one always felt Terry Venables, the Totten-

the televised game at home to Manchester United tomorrow if Howells, as well as Gas-coigne, fail to recover from injuries to both knees.

Southampton are a moody side, much affected by con-fidence and atmosphere. Encouraged by their narrow defeat at Anfield the previous Saturday, they proved to an appreciative crowd for the second time in four days that, unlike Tottenham, they can succeed without their most influential force - Case, their combative captain, who was

In his absence, Moore did the leading by example, tenaciously denying Lineker and company a square inch of space while, conversely, Horne and McLoughlin fought tigerishly in midfield to carn the room in which Le Tissier's languid skills might flourish.

casually-struck free kicks which Southampton sealed the game, Wallace ramming home a deflection, before Le Tissier finished off what he

It was from one of his

SOUTHAMPTON: T Flowers: J Dodd (pub: A Cherschik), M Adame, G Cockerli, K Moore, N Ruddock, M Le Tissier (suit: M Banger), B Home, A Sheerer, A McLoughlin, Rodney Wallace.

TOTTEIGHAM HOTSPUR: E Thorstvedt in Thomas, P Van den Heave, S Sadgley, C Howels (sub: G Bergsson), G Mabbuf, P Stevert, V Samweya, Nayin (sub: P Walsh), G Linekor, P Allen.



Flying high: Wright, of Crystal Palace, leaps to strike a spectacular volley against Liverpool at Selhurst Park yesterday. Report, page 30

## Teale strike denies Orient

goal of the season.

AS HALF-TIME approached at Dean Court on Saturday, there must have been many among the modest crowd who wondered why they had bothered to attend the third division match between Roumers with and I will be the street of the st between Bournemouth and Ley-ton Orient. After 40 minutes of tedium, even the idea of someone scoring a goal had begun to seem like an exotic flight of

seem like an exotic flight of fancy.

Then, suddenly, the match came to life. The Bournemouth foward, Ekoku, ran through and beat Heald, only for Whitbread to hook the ball off the line; then, at the other end, Nugent rose to meet Castle's cross only to see Peyton make a marvel-lous one-handed save. This proved to be the pro-

logue to 20 minutes of end-to-end excitement which commenced with a goal for Orient 30 seconds into the second half. Carter weaved his way down the right, where Fereday was having an unhappy afternoon, crossed, and there

KEITH BLACKMORE but as Frank Clark, the manager of Orient, observed afterwards, it ought to have been enough. reviews the third and fourth divisions "Before the game, we would have settled for a draw," he said. "But having got in the position was Castle to head his thirteenth

to have done so."

Clark could afford to be satisfied by the result, since it kept Orient in fourth place. Five minutes later, Carter again breezed down the right before cutting the ball back to Achampong, who scored with a low shot. Bournemouth responded in splendid style. Ekoku could have scored twice Bournemouth, despite their ex cellent recovery, can hardly afford to be so pleased. Having begun 1990 fourteenth in the second division, they finished it in eleventh position in the third. Doncaster Rovers maintained within a minute, missing with a downward header from Holmes's corner, then, more culpably, with a volley from three yards after Blissen had crossed from the left. their position at the top of the fourth division with a 3-1 win

to win, we are disappointed not

against Hereford United. agaillisi: Fileretord Urbited.

BOURNEMOUTH: G Payton; P Adler, W Foreday, S Teals, S O'Driscool, D Mundee, M Holmes, A Pulis (sub: A Jones), E Bicku, G Lawronce, L Bibsett.

LEYTON ORIENT: P Healt S Baker, T Howard, J Sitton, A Whitbroad, G Pice, D Carter, S Cestle, K Nugent, K Acrampong, L Harvey (sub: C Zoridich).

Referee: K Gooper. Bourtemouth were level, both soals following corners from Holmes. First, Miller diverted

## Lured to th of the A

THE rain was bouncing off the pavement, the sky an unbroken, funereal grey. The shops and the shopk around Upton Park looked desolate. Inside your overcoat your skin contracted, leaving a cold, uncomfortable, hollow space. It was a day to make a dog hide.

Yet for 23,600 people, a crowd as large as for a Wimbledon singles final, the foul weather was no deterrent to attending a second di-vision match, the seventh largest League gate of the day watching West Ham United and Port Vale draw 0-0. Every professional footballer drawing a wage, every manager laying down his tactics, so often negative, should be made to recite the week's attendance figures, and to thank heaven that he has the privilege to be employed in the most popular enter-tainment known to man.

Too much of the time the football public remains compulsively loyal in spite of. rather than because of, what is offered by egotistical players and ignorant managers. The unique appeal of football it retains a vein of dramatic uncertainty, of simple perversity, that makes it so watchable.

Only a handful of players, in my experience, even begin goalless draw might have to understand the marvel of their occupation, of their After a quarter of an hour, capacity to give pleasure to Porter, on Vale's right flank. they are lucky.

Too many managers view their responsibility as no more than a private crossword puzzle that can be solved in isolation; a private, semi-religious exhortation in the dressing-room that is merely transferred outside onto the grass. Too few players and managers sense their obligation to the people who make their continuing existence possible; the kind of people hastening towards the beckoning floodlight pylons

at West Ham on Saturday. West Ham, of course, have always somehow been different, at least in my time. It was Malcolm Allison who the side netting from an with others, unconciously laid the foundations of the Academy, then given form and continuity by Ron Greenwood, whose extended

writers. Bu present man; longest-serving West Ham's hista not to have gra-element of the We tradition.

For 30 years, West have been the thermon of the state of the English game. No matter what their tide of fortune, they have been worth watching. While West Ham survive, there is hope.

Against mid-table Port Vale, on a muddy skating rink that threw up a spume of chocolate mousse with every tackle, the second division leaders nearly fell apart. Seven of West Ham's players want to play with the ball notably Parris, Hughton, Keen, Allen and Morley but on this day the ball had a mischievous will of its own.

Beckford and Jepson. Vale's central forwards. is that even when it is adroitly exploited the disgracefully unentertaining acquatic conditions to the maximum to make West Ham's centre backs, Gale and Foster, look like a cross between Coco the Clown and Christopher Dean. A thrilling ended 7-4 in Vale's favour.

others as opposed to them- crossed from the line and selves, until they have passed Earle thundered a header just 30. Suddenly, they realise too high. Immediately, at the other end, the leaping Wood turned Morley's ferocious drive over the bar, and then studiously peeled off the mud from his limbs like a pair of cricket pads. On the halfhour, Jeffers flashed a shot a Morley sliced from close in when Wood could not hold

Allen's hurtling bar of soap. West Ham checked Vale's dominance when the rain eased in the second half: Keen, Morley and Stewart should have scored from the game's best move. But in the closing minutes, Beckford rounded both Gale and the previously impassable goalkeeper, Miklosko, only to hit angle. Who remembered the

rain? WEST HAM UNITED: L. Miklosko: T Breacker, G. Parris, A. Cale, C. Foster, G. Hughton, K. Keen, J. Cuinn, S. Stater, M. Allen (sub: S. Potts), T. Morley. post-match press conferences round a bottle of cream sherry provided an education sherry grovided an education sherry provided sherry pr

took Kevin Keegan to Tyneside in the early 1980s. But the reality is that Newcastle cannot afford a player who cost Marseilles £4.5 million.

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## HOCKEY Gibbins penalties enrich Midlands

PETER Gibbins provided an exciting finish to the school-boys' divisional tournament at from a penalty stroke, putting . .... Coventry School yesterday by converting a penalty stroke to land the under-18 title for Midlands with a 3-1 win over
East. They went on to achieve a
double by taking the under-16

championship.

Midlands took the field for the last metch of the senior lournament needing a two-goal marginal victory for the title, and began well with Gibbins scoring from a penalty stroke.
The advantage was soon lost with Glen Smith scoring for East after some good approach work

by Abdul Kadar.

Midlands' hopes were revived with a goal by Rupert Wood, who later forced the penalty stroke on which Gibbins capitalised as the South-East players matched the title they players watched the title they won last year slipping away. South-East themselves were

South-East themselves were earlier locked in a grim struggle with South-West, the game ending in a 1-1 draw. After a blank first half, South-East went ahead against the run of play with a goal from a short corner by William Champness.

South-West retaliated with an securally fine goal from a short country fine goal from a short fromer by Bill Waugh, who carrier had bad luck when his

shot went over the top. In the morning, South-East appeared to have put themselves on course for the title by beating west 2-1, Matthew Walker and Paul Livesey scoring for South-East and Mark Pullin for West.

In bitterly cold conditions, hey beat the West 1-0 in their inal match thanks to a goal from Claire Liddell, and encured they would take the

up would have gone to the outh, who were still in conten-con until the final match. The outh had earlier beaten the fidlands 2-1 with goals from enise Shorney and Kate the second division

only four points better off than Hull City, the bottom club.

Newcastle find reality hard

"We are running out of time," Jim Smith, the United manager, James's Park to watch Newcastle United lose 2-0 to said. "The supporters have evcry right to be impatient. I was very disappointed with the performance. We do not have enough quality and Roy Aitken is not playing at all well." Notts County. Ironically, it was the cost of this impressive structure which precipitated Waddle's original sale to Tottenham Hotspur.

By contrast County wind were promoted from the third In the past week, speculation has connected Waddle with a division last spring are looking increasingly likely play off contenders. Fifth in the table, return to his narrye Newcastle in a transfer similar to that which their fourth consecutive win

comfortable reality is that the team which finished third last

LOUISE TAYLOR reviews

Bartlett and Draper.

Middlesbrough travelled to Bristol City with an impressive away record, but went down 3-0 and conceded third place to Sheffield Wednesday, who visit

Ayresome Park in the division's leading New Year's Day fixture

Colin Todd, the Middles-brough manager, said; "We have to get it right against Wednesday and I will be making changes." Wednesday got it right, winning 2-1 at home to Portsmouth. Two goals from Hirst gave them their first Hirst gave them their first victory in seven games. Hirst, an old fashioned centre forward, is now the division's leading

is now the division's leading scorer with 19 League goals.

A year ago, Millwall invested. £800,000 in Paul Goddard, the Derby County forward. Yesterday, they confirmed Goddard, is to be released on a free transfer. The chemistry has clearly failed between Millwall and the forener England alease. and the former England player, and the Docklands club are in desperate need of some spark — the 0-0 draw at home to secondplaced Oldham Athletic on Sat-

urday proving literally a damp

YACHTING

# Rothmans protests

From Bos Ross IN HOBART

from a penalty stroke, putting West 3-1 ahead. Both North-East goals were scored from penalty strokes. At under-16 level, Midlands emerged clear champions after a 2-0 win over East, Richard Alichin scoring from a short corner and a penalty stroke to emerge top scorer for his side with six goals. Midlands had earlier put themselves in a strong position with a 3-1 victory over South-West. The goals for the winners were scored by Allchin, Michael Harper and James Bruton.

Harper and James Bruton.

HEBILTS Under-16: North-West 3. East 0: West 1. Midlands 2: South-East 3. North-East 1: South-West 2. East 0: North-West 2. West 0: Midlands 2. Bouth-East 0: North-East 2. East 3: West 1; South-West 1: Midlands 3. South-West 1: North-East 0. North-East 3. South-East 1. West 2: East 0. Midlands 2: South-West 2: North-East 0: South-East 4. North-East 0: South-West 2: North-East 0: South-West 2: North-East 1: North-West 0: South-West 1: West 0: South-West 0: North-East 0: North-East 1: North-West 2: Midlands 3: South-West 2: Midlands 3: South-West 1: North-West 2: North-East 2: South-West 0: East 1: North-East 2: South-West 0: East 1: North-East 2: South-West 1: South-East 2: South-West 1: East 1. Midlands 3: Final POSTITONS: Under-1E Midlands 1: East 1. Midlands 3: Final POSTITONS: Under-1E Midlands

FINAL POSTTONS: Under-18; Midlands 11pts; South-West 9; Weet 7; South-East 6; North-West 6; East 2; North-East 1, Under-18; Midlands 10pts; South-East 10; East 7; South-West 6; West 4; North-West 3; North-East 2.

Paul Suelling is the only surprise choice in the St Albans team for the European indoor club championship which starts

SCHAR: J Hurst, C Alicins, R Devis, G Wisher, M Ancierson, P Snelling, M Day, A Heliklay, S Port, K Rowley, I Jennings, A Ferns.

the Roll, well they came across the East. A goal each from Jane Ray and Jane Smith gave victory to the East, and effectively ended the North's chances.

It was an outstanding com-petition for Smith. She is al-ready in the England training

group, and she will have in-creased her chances of national

#### Liddell's goal decisive The women of the East region The defending champions, The defending champions, the North, were doing well

varmed to the task in Liverpool esterday as they won the hampionships (Alix Ramsay

Frophy home.
The championships are

layed on an all-play-all basis, and the league table was so tight hat had the East drawn 0-0, the

# at penalty

THE British maxi, Rothmans, is protesting today to a jury of International Yacht Racing Union-qualified rules experts against the decision of the race committee which robbed her of line honours in the Sydney to into honours in the Sydney to Hobart race. The committee penalised Rothmans ten per cent of placings for flying a spinnaker bearing the logo of her sponsor, in contravention of the IYRU rule restricting advertising that applied to the

The protest is based on the claim that the race committee was not aware of certain relevant information when it imposed the penalty. The protest will be heart order release from

Earlier, a press release from Rothmans Yachting's spokes-person, Kate Hedger, classified the decision of the race committee as "harsh".
It said: "Smith quite correctly clared to the committee that

he had flown a spinnaker which carried the words 'Rothmans' carried the words 'Rothmans' on it, in breach of race rules. This happened after he had ripped his other spinnaker and while he was 20 miles offshore away from the public gaze.

"For this minor technical infringement of the rules, the committee has agreeded."

committee has awarded a pen-alty of loss of ten per cent of placings for Rothmans. Such a placings for Rollmans. Such a penalty is extremely severe."

Meanwhile, the outstanding three-year-old Farr one-tonner, Sagacious V, owned by Gary Appleby, of Sydney, has been declared the corrected-time winner of the 630-mile classic. Had it not been for her penalty, Rothmans would have been

second.
Second place is now filled by Chuzpah, of Bruce Taylor, from Victoria, followed by her sister Davidson three-quarter design, Illusion, of Gino Knezic, which won the race in 1988.

RESULTS: NorTel Sydney to Hobert (630 miles): Corrected times (provisional) International offstore rate; 1, Segacious V (6 Applieby), 2 days, 19hr 44min 32sec; 2, Chutzpah (B. Teylor), 222:55-22; 3, flusion (6 Anazio), 223:1820; 4, Andurfi (D. Kantady), 223:1830; 5, Western Port Ventium (F. Grand), 232:2850; 6. Refere creased her chances of national selection by emerging as the East's top goalscorer.

On Saturday, she had made the difference to ensure a 1-0 win over the Midlands, while on Friday she had scored twice to put the East on level terms with the South. That 2-2 draw was the only hiccup in the East's otherwise faultless challenge for the title. 223-53-24, Inhernational measurement system, class 3: 1, Fujitsu Designa, 2:12-16-10; 2, Sweet Caroline (8 Ella, HK), 2:13-68-23; 3, Brindshella (6 Snow), 2:15-25-30; 4, Ratile and Hum (Nichimoto, Japan), 2:17-55-17; 5, Harmer of Cursensland (A Bioom), 2:17-57-43; 6, Nacia N (7 Dahmut, 2:20-25-17; 7, Heissi

# Rudd weighs in with final word

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

By Ketth Macklin

Warrington.

JUSTICE was both done and JUSTICE was both done and seen to be done in a breath-taking finish to this Regal Trophy semi-final at Central Park. With just three minutes left, extra time seemed certain to be needed for the first time since 1956 in a rugby league cup tie, and it would have been cruel

huck on Warrington.
Their injury-battered squad had hurled themselves into the Widnes half for 60 of the 80 minutes, and had tackled both themselves and the vaunted Widnestrate and the vaunted Widnestrate and the vaunted

AFTER languishing in the relegation area, Featherstone Rovers jumped into the top half of the table as they completed a Christmas double over their neighbours, Wakefield Tribity, yesterday (Keith Macklin writes). Rovers did the damage in the first half, with Burt scoring two tries and Smales

scoring two tries and Smales also touching down. Trinity's

reply was a penalty by Conway.

Trinity revived in the second half, but stern Rovers defence restricted them to a try and a goal from the lively Conway. Featherstone's 16-8 win means

that Trinity slip below them into the bottom half of the table. In the second division, Ryedale York went top by beating Barrow 34-0, Sullivan

scoring two tries and five goals. Their leadership may be short-lived, since Salford and Swinton

have four games in hand.

only to miss goal and try chances which could have sealed the match earlier. Warrington had to suffer the mornification of seeing a break-away try by Offiah in the 48th minute put Widnes 4-2 ahead. It was a wetched piece of luck since the pass to Offiah seemed distinctly forward, and Offiah, with the pace and fluent stride of

Yet, within ten minute

Pulis's imperfect shot past Heald, then Teale equalised with a volley from 20 yards which bounced in off the bar.

an Olympic sprinter, needs no extra advantages.

The try rubbed in the fact that Turner's refusal to pass had cost Warrington a try minutes ear-lier. Widnes had one more scoring chance, but Warring-ton's man of the match, Mann,

wrapped up Faimalo within sight of the line. To their credit, Warrington,

Featherstone find fresh fields

Carlisle's hopes for promo-tion were set back a second time by their Cumbrian neighbours, Whitehaven, winning 14-10 at Gillford Park. Bramley's poor season continued as Hunslet

David Lightfoot, the Hull

SECOND DIVISION: Carlisle 10, Whitehavan 14; Ryedale York 34, Berrow 0; Brazniey 14, Hunslet 26.

COMPLETE TEST MATCH AVERAGES

triumphed 26-14.

who were fielding a makeshift pack with the centre, Mercer, in the second row, took play back to the Widnes line. When McKenzie lost pos-

session in his own 22-metre area, Offiah instinctively dived on the ball in an offside pos-ition, and Rudd, who had earlier kicked one penalty but shared in several misses with Turner, banged it through the posts to bring the sides level.

A draw and extra time seemed certain, but suddenly, with three minutes left, Mercer popped up in his familiar right centre role and sent Drummond away on the wing. He scorched along the touchline for 30 metres until he heard the hoof beats of Offiah

Kingston Rovers full back, has

been put on the transfer list at £40,000 for missing training.

Paul Forber, the St Helens

forward, will see another specialist today after a recur-

rence of his neck injury against

Widnes to come back. Their normally fluent attacking. which has already won them the Charity Shield and the Lan-cashire Cup, and has recently torn apart several opponents, was never allowed to function. Warrington tackled like men

possessed, giving the Widnes dangermen, Myler and McKenzie, no room to manipulate the ball, and apart from Offiah's runaway try, the Widnes speed was nullified. It could be said that the loss of

way past two defenders to ram the ball one-handed over the

tryline and be engulied by so many of his colleagues that recognition of the try-scorer was impossible for half a minute.

There was no time left for

Davies before the match, and Currier and Koloto during it, handicapped the Widnes attack, but this would be grossly unfair to Warrington, who had plenty of injuries of their own, and who would have tackled any Widnes XIII just as remorsele Thus, championship form was turned on its head. Warring-

ton go on to meet Bradford Northern in the final at Headingley a week on Saturday. and the sparks will surely fly when these two hard-tackling

Rudd (2), Widnes: Try, Offish.

WARRINGTON: D. Lyon: D. Drummond, A. Bateman (sub: R. Turner), C. Rudd, P. Williamson; C. O'Sullivan, K. Ellis: Harmon (sub: R. Philips), D. Mann, M. Thomas, W. McGinty, G. Mercer, P. Cullen, WIDNES: A. Talt: J. Dewraux, A. Currier (sub: S. Sprues), B. Dowd, M. Offish; T. Myler, D. Hulme; J. Grima, P. McKenzle, E. Palmelo, K. Sorensen, E. Koloto (sub: P. Mortary), P. Hulme.

Referee: J. Holdsworth.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Kansas relying on San Diego CHICAGO (AFP) - The Kan-

CHICAGO (AFP) — The Kansas City Chiefs beat the Chicago Bears 21-10 here on Saturday, but to win the American Foothall Conference western division they needed the San Diego Chargers to upset the Los Angeles Raiders last night.

Steve DeBerg, the Chiefs quarterback, playing with a broken finger, completed 25 of 32 passes for 276 yards.

The Philadelphia Eagles secured home field advantage against the Washington Redskins in next week's first round of the play-offs by beating the Phoenix Cardinals 23-21.

Young shows

CYCLING

#### the way to youthful rival WHILE the Three Musketeers

of cyclo-cross - David Baker, Steve Douce and Barrie Clarke - were overseas, the victory of Chris Young in the OMC Ford Supacross at Macclesfield yes-terday underlined his potential as a medal winner in Saturday's national championship at Harlow, Essex (Peter Bryan writes). Young whose Ever Ready

contract ends today, has broken free from his earlier inability to make a fast start. In the nine-lap event over 11 miles, he and Roger Hammond, aged 16, were well clear after two miles. Young, seeking to crack his teenage companion, attacked and drew ahead, leaving Ham-

mond to be joined by another professional international Fred almon. Hammond met challenge and disposed of Salmon to finish 1 min 20sec behind Young. RESULT: 1, C Young (Ever Ready), 55min 21sec; 2, R Hammond (Wembley RC), at 1min 20sec; 3, F Salmon (Paugeot), at 1:43.

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# ht start to Coppell's Palace reign

a closed, so the

p race opened alace in completcrably unproductive 1 the capital for the ory at Selhurst Park crowned in imprecedented day for the

Before appearing live on The depth of his square television for the first time in a yet to be tested. Four of his players were doubtful yespectation of the depth of his players were doubtful yespectation. nounced that Steve Coppell had, in the morning, agreed to sign his first managerial contract. He decided to end speculation "which has linked me to every vacancy" and tie himself for the next 3½ years. He stressed that he would consider the contract "worth-

need have no fears about the Top of first division Liverpool soak up everything corner found Ian Rush a few attitude of his own side which attitude of his own side, which has won seven of the last eight games, although he is reluc- C Pauce 20 tant to make any claims about its eventual destiny.

He is still convinced that Liverpool will retain the title. "Traditionally, they always finish above where they are at tave lifted themselves. Christmas," he said. "If I were developing into a formidable about third place and into a betting man I'd still put my unit. Their most valuable money on them." When asked asset is their collective speed, where Palace might end up, he and nowhere is that more smiled. "I don't know. I've evident than in their front

> industrious captain, conavailable only an hour before pie and along the byline. His the kick-off. "With all due low cross was turned in respect to those in the reserves, we would have been struggling without those four,"

line. It was to be the decisive factor in their first League victory over Liverpool for

almost two decades.

A few minutes before the interval, Ian Wright burst firmed that he would be explosively past Gary Gilleslow cross was turned in through the legs of Bruce Grobbelaar by Mark Bright. "That was important," Coppell said. "Otherwise we

you can give them and then they hit you on the break." During the first half, which

he described as "the most enjoyable for a long time", Palace had regularly caused discomfort amid the same sweeper system which was dismantled at Highbury by Arsenal three weeks ago. Liverpool, who were un-

done at set pieces during their defeat by Palace in the FA Cup semi-final last April, looked equally vulnerable even in open play. Grobbelaar, who was blamed for the equaliser Queen's Park Rangers on Wednesday, visibly lacked assurance whenever he was required to catch a cross or a

Liverpool attempted to redress the balance in the second haif, but, even though they enjoyed the majority of the possession, they fashioned would have been looking at an only one clear opening. Gilles-

transfixed, expecting him to be adjudged offside, he turned and shot directly at Nigel Martyn.

At Selhurst Park.

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Kenny Dalglish later criticised his side's attitude and level of commitment. "We are not firing on all cylinders," he said, "and we are not getting the breaks." They may need them against Leeds United, who are in such sparkling form and lie only six points behind, at Anfield tomorrow. Had Glenn Hysen's appar-

ent foul on the troublesome Wright been interpreted as an offence worthy of a penalty in the closing minutes, the margin of Palace's win would doubtless have been wider. Still, they have come a long, long way since being humiliated 9-0 at Anfield little over a

## England manager MATCH FACTS

By OUT SPORTS STAFF

BOBBY Robson, the manager of the England football team until July, receives a CBE in the New Year Honours list published today. Robson has been vilified for his tootball philosophy, had his private hife revealed and is now working abroad, and yet he could have been celebrating a knighthood if England had won the penalty shoot-out in their World Cup semi-final against West Germany.

**CBE** for

Sir Alf Ramsey, therefore, remains unique as a man knighted solely for his managerial contribution to foot-ball. A similar honour bestowed upon Waiter Winterbottom, another for-mer England manager, was also in recognition of his work for the Sports Council.

Robson, aged 57, disclosed before the World Cup finals that he had accepted an offer to manage PSV Eindhoven, the Dutch club, at the end of the summer. England's fourth place in Italy was his best. achievement in the four competitions they contested underhis eight-year management. England's record in the Robson era was 47 wins, 29 draws and 19 defeats.

Peter Skilton, the Derby County and former England goalkeeper, is elevated from MBE to OBE. During the World Cup finals, Shilton set a world record of 125 caps and then announced his retirement from international competition at the age of 41.

George Courtney, from County Durham, the only English referee to officiate at the World Cup, also receives the OBE:

There are awards, too, for England's cricketers. At a time when two successive Test match defeats by Australia have left the English game in sombre mood, the OBE for Graham Gooch, the England captain, and CBE for Raman Subba Row, chairman of the Test and County Cricket Board for five years until last October, bring some pleasure: Gooch's recognition ack-

contribution during the past car as England captain and eading batsman. It also com oletes a remarkable transformation in his career. Gooch incurred a three-year

nowiedges his outstanding

ban after touring South Africa side in 1981-2. Yet from the



Robson: New Year honour moment that Gooth was appointed England captain in 1989, he revitalised the side and his own form reached new

Two of New Zealand's rugby union luminaries, of different generations, receive the OBE: Fred Allen, distinguished both as a player and later as coach, and Wayne-Shelford, who was displaced as the All Blacks captain last summer and who is now playing in England with

Northampton.

Nigel Mansell, aged 36,
Britain's leading grand prix
driver in the eighties, who last summer announced his retirement from Formula One and then changed his mind, receives an OBE.

There are MBEs for athlete Yvonne Murray, Scotland's European 3,000 metres champion, Les Jones, aged 47, from Northern Ireland, the man-ager of the British men's athletics team which had a record-breaking European championships last summer, John Lyon, aged 28, the St Australia have also been Helens amateur boxer, Margaret Johnston, the Northern Ireland bowls player, and Pauline Edwards, the Olympic archer.

There are OBEs for David Donovan for services to karate and the New Zealander, Pete Blake, who skipperessistentiager 2 to victory in the Whitbread Round the Works Yacht Race.

Three sporting journal are honoured: Brian ston, the BBC radio e

# Test of nerves finds England wanting IT ENDED in an air of anti-sentative of the frustrations

tions had only one story-line cruelly heavy defeat. to offer its audience on the final day, and that was not to the taste of anyone English.

Sunday morning at the Mel-bourne Cricket Ground had seen an abundance of MCC ties and a strong sense of anticipation. England's batsmen may twice have sacrificed the chance to put Australia out of the game, but the bowlers had twice tugged back the initiative. The equation was now 169 to win, eight Australian wickets left, and the pitch unreliable. An epic climax in

The finale fell flat. Eight wickets had fallen for 31 runs in an astonishing last session on Saturday. Yesterday, England could not muster a single wicket from five hours of increasingly desperate effort and when, on the stroke of 5pm, Geoff Marsh pushed the winning single, it completed an unbroken and incongruous third-wicket stand of 187 with David Boon.

The regrets were publicly expressed by Graham Gooch. who promptly and properly put the defeat his first in his last nine Tests as captain,

down to "bad batting". The acrimony came from most of all, it was repre- said. "We thought about all

tour management quietly

closed ranks around a dis-

in a regrettable show of petu-

the umpire, Peter McConnell,

denied a concerted appeal for

David Boon was on 73 and

ward, was so incredulous that,

view of the decision.

lance (Alan Lee writes).

climax, an announcement of simmering none too quietly regret, and a suspicion of within a team which had acrimony. There was, after all, threatened an extraordinary no cause for celebration. A triumph over the odds but second Test of riveting gyra- ended up with a second,

> Two down with three to play is very close to being a hopeless position for England. Only once in Ashes history has either team come back to win a series after losing the first two Tests, and Bradman's team of 1936-7 is likely to remain unique for the time being. This England side needs to be at full strength to sustain realistic hopes against Australia, and it is surveying another Test, starting in Sydney on Friday, with serious fitness doubts over Alian Lamb and Angus Fraser.

Lamb's batting was sorely missed here, for he plays Bruce Reid as well as anyone. Reid took 13 wickets in the game, the last four for no runs, and did so with hardly a ball swinging. He concentrated on simplicity, angling the ball across the right-handers with slight variations of length and point of delivery. The twitchiness of the batting achieved

By Saturday's close, Devon Malcolm, charging in with a viously seen on this tour, had accounted for Mark Taylor and might easily have added Philip Tufnell, so irate to be Marsh. Fraser had removed denied his first Test match the nightwatchman. Ian wicket by a questionable de- Healy, and Australian nerves cision that he made his feel- were frayed, as Allan Border ings clear to the umpire. It was confessed. "It was a restless unwise, it was bot-headed but, night for most of the boys," he

prolonged discussion with McConnell. When pressed,

McConnell confirmed that,

would not be making any

official report about Tufnell's

Further bad news for Eng-

against Australia in Sydney

Gooch mediates with

umpire over Tufnell

MELBOURNE - England's ended, stayed on the field in

tressed Phil Tufnell last night later, on what was said, Gooch

after his Test debut had ended replied: "It is between me and

Tufnell reacted badly when having spoken with Gooch, he

a catch behind the wicket, behaviour, and the England

David Boon was on 73 and tour manager, Peter Lush, said Australia were 31 short of there would be no public

victory, but Tufnell, who had statement on the matter. This

bowled his left-arm spin does not, of course, preclude a

consistently well for no re- private disciplinary measure.

by words and gestures, he left land is a hip injury to Angus

neither McConnell nor the Fraser. He is unlikely to play

crowd in any doubt over his in the World Series match

to Tufnell, and, when play Lamb is already discounted.

Graham Gooch spoke twice tomorrow, for which Allan

THE LILLY WHITES

NINETEEN-NINETY-FUN

the umpire."

Winners can smile: Border, the Australian captain, centre, congratulates his second Test batting heroes, Marsh, left, and Boos

the things that could go wrong, and we were very nervous this morning. For the first halfhour, you could have heard a pin drop in the dressing-

The good, last-day crowd of W Larking a Heely b Reid more than 17,000 sat silently set about countering the crucial first hour against Malcolm and Fraser.

Australia could have had no better, doughtier men for the job. Quiet and self-possessed, but high on pugnacity, Marsh and Boon have roomed toselber for years and underlow down the celebrity scale batting pairs. Boon was 30 on Saturday, Marsh is 32 today. They will have been justified in celebrating together long into last night.

Early on, they thought of nothing but survival, and barely managed it. Boon admits his heart skipped a beat when, in the day's fourth over, Malcolm whooped a convincing leg-before appeal. Umpire Crafter can have decided it was only marginally missing leg stump. Away from Malcolm's fury, there was Fraser's metronomic accuracy. His eight-over spell cost nine runs: then came seven overs from Tufneli for only three.

At lunch, 116 were still needed, but the wicket England yearned for had not come. There was to be no presumptious change of pace: the first hour of the afternoon brought only another 26 runs, but then England suffered a severe setback. Fraser pulling up short several times in the course of an over and then eaving the field to rest a hip injury he had first felt on Friday.

After 31/2 hours, there had still only been one boundary struck all day, but, once tea had passed without loss, Boon decided to branch out. In the last hour, this mournful-looking character, the perceived threat to his place now banished, hit eight fours as Australia hustled to their sixth win in eight Tests against England.

There were distinct phases in this match when England were placed to end the sequence. But they failed to make enough runs in the first innings, when this fickle pitch was at its best, and their demise in the second defies better description than that applied by a former captain, Willis - "pathetic".

MELBOURNE SCOREBOARD **ENGLAND:** First inning The tension was infectious. M A Atherton c Boon b Reid TR C Russell c Neckstkeeper TR C Russell c Necky b Hughee Lag glancs off wide ball P A J DeFreites c Healy b Relat Edge to diving wicketkeeper

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-30, 3-109, 4-152, 5-274, 6-303, 7-307, 8-894, 9-344,

Second innings \*\*G A Gooch e Aldermen b Reld .

Drove wide delivery to first slip
M A Atherton c Heely b Reld ......

Edged outswinger d outswinger Ina c Healy b Reid R A Smith c Taylor b Reid Extres (b 7, 63, rb 6)

Total (73 overs, 294min) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17. 2-103, 3-115, 4-122, 5-147, 6-148, 7-148, 8-148, 9-150. West Indies see their

# supremacy threatened

THE West Indies command of country to beat Australia in world cricket is being challenged by both Australia and Pakistan. Australia's two victories against England have lifted them to the top of the table of Test match performances in 1990, and they also Test ratings. managed a home series win over Pakistan. were won by the home team -

Although they were un-successful in Australia, Pakistan's four consecutive wins against New Zealand and West Indies earlier this winter took them into second place. West Indies, who struggled to beat England and recovered to draw with Pakistan, have to be content with third place, while England's improved showing in the Caribbean and home victories against New Zealand

New Zealand, the only

Extres (b 4, lb 12, nb 16) Total (112.5 overs, 514min) ALL OF WICKETS: 1-63, 2-133, 3-149, 4-224, 5-264, 6-281, 7-289, 8-298, 9-302. 'A R Border, D M Jones, S R Waugh, G R J Ma Aidenman, B A Reid did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-10. Man of the Match: B A Reid. England follow lead of

**AUSTRALIA: First innings** 

Attempted drive off wide deliver

1990, could manage only fifth place after their defeats in England and Pakistan, while India gained only one Test victory - over Sri Lanka, the only team below them in the Fourteen of the 16 matches that produced a positive result

England and West indies the only sides to gain success overseas - so Australia will have a hard task on their hands when they tour West Indies in the spring if they are to maintain their position at and India secure them fourth

## Pakistan this season The most recent collapse on a

par with England's at Melbourne came in Pakistan's Test series against West Indies last month at Faisalabad Pakistan were 145-4, lost five wickets for one run, and were bowled out for 154. In the same series at Lahore,

West Indies lost their last four wickets for one run as Wasim Akram took four wickets in five balls. Among other dramatic fail-

ures to have occured in Tests are New Zealand, bowled out for 26, the lowest Test score of all, against England at Auckthe top of the Test cricket land in 1954-55.

India have twice suffered: they lost their first four wick-50.00 ets for nothing against Eng-42.85 land at Headingley in 1952, 25.00 and their first five wickets for 20.00 six against England at the 0.00 Oval in 1952.

guilty of failing in dramatic fashion: they lost their first six wickets for seven against England at Old Trafford in 1888. Indeed, in an England v Australia Test match at Old Trafford in 1888, 18 wickets fell before lunch, while at Lord's in 1888, 27 wickets fell in one day. . With his innings of 20 and 58 in the Melbourne Test match, Graham Gooch took

his aggregate of runs in Test cricket in 1990 to 1,264. Viv Richards's aggregate of

1.710 runs in 1976 is the commentator, is made a highest ever recorded in a and Harry Carpenter calendar year, while Dennis BBC Television boxing Amiss, with 1,379 runs in mentator; and 1974, is the only Englishman Wooldridge, of the Doctobetter Gooch's 1990 total.

